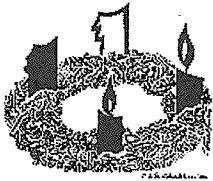


Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2013



Justice shall flourish in his time, and
fullness of peace for ever.

--Psalm 72

"Wait"

Today's Readings:

First Reading - Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm - Psalm 72

Second Reading - Romans 15:4-9

Gospel Reading - Matthew 3:1-12



Ursin Oubre, Jr., Mary Ann Waltman, Ann Brittain, Flora Ann Frasier, Will/Grace Jeadron, Reba Jennings, Joan Latham, Bishop Joseph Latino, Curt Leuenberge, Harry/Betty Louque, Aileene Maldonado, Toni Marino, Katherine Parker, Margaret Parker, Doris Rush, Ruth Thompson, Amanda Warren, Sutton Warren, Loretta Woods 12/8; Tristan Clark, Robert/Sarah Gorrell, Wade Hutson, Kameron Thomas, Bill/Linda Wilson 10/27; Helen Machost, Janet Brown, Christopher Lee, 11/24; Betsy Carraway, Linda Courtney, Sam Greco, Jr., Billy Holden, Barbara Johnson, Lucy Lovertich, Helen McDearman, Joan Moran, Teresa Rieder, Diana Sanders, Skip Shurlds, George/Sue Trebotich, 11/17; Abron Haymond, Teresa Bradshaw, Teresa Brown, Loresta/Theresa Cannon, Michael Durst, Linda Fitzgerald, Ben/Rita Hayes, Matthew Loggie, Lorraine Lorio, Lura Matthews, Ted Opiela, Rodney Oubre, Fr. Richard Somers 11/10; **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.**



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 Linding, Michael Machost, Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, James (Alec) Ponder and Nathan Waltman. **You may place a picture of the individual on the military bulletin board located in the parish hall.**

Sacrificial Giving - - - Last Week

Regular Tithe	\$4441.00
"Take a Step" Capital Campaign	\$838.43
Children's Offering	\$13.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Upcoming Second Collections

Dec. 8 - Retirement Fund for Religious
(Retired Priests, Brothers and Sisters)

POSSIBILITIES

Nothing is impossible for God and
His Blessed Mother!

--Don Bosco

December
"The Divine Infancy"



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

& MASS INTENTIONS:

Mass: Monday- Friday

7:30am Carmelite Monastery

+++NOTE CHANGES ADDITIONS+++

Sat., Dec. 7 - Vigil 2nd Sunday of Advent; 1st Saturday;
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

12Noon-4pm Adoration - chapel

4:00pm Confession

4:30pm Rosary

5:00pm Mass - Pete and Marie Trebotich

Sunday, Dec. 8 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

7:30am Rosary

8:00am Mass - People of the Parish

9:15am PSR - parish office

9:15am Confirmation - parish office

10:30am Rosary

11:00am Mass - Raphael & Mercedes Mahecha

+++Monday, Dec. 9 - Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Patronal Feastday of the United States of America

6:00pm Mass - United States of America Intention

+++Tuesday, Dec. 10 - International Human Rights Day

5:30pm Midnight Mass Choir Practice

5:30pm Mass - Marian Servants of
Jesus the Lamb of God Intention

6:10pm Rosary - chapel

6:30pm Adoration



+++Wednesday, Dec. 11 - St. Damasus I

8:30am Mass - Henry Wilson

Children Reconciliation Following

9:30am-5pm Adoration - chapel

6:00pm Advent Reconciliation Service

Several Priests available

+++Thursday, Dec. 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

12Noon Young at Heart - parish hall

2:00pm Memorial Mass - Jane Natzke



Friday, Dec. 13 - St. Lucy

12Noon Mass - Extension Society Intention

Sat., Dec. 14 - Vigil 3rd Sunday of Advent

4:00pm Confession

4:30pm Rosary

5:00pm Mass - Emma Pepper

Sunday, Dec. 15 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

7:30am Rosary

8:00am Mass - People of the Parish

9:15am PSR - parish office

9:15am Confirmation - parish office

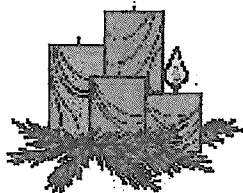
10:30am Rosary

11:00am Mass - Sr. Rita DeMate

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Personally Invites you to join us for any or all of our
MASSES and ACTIVITIES DURING ADVENT AND
THE CHRISTMAS SEASON 2013-2014



First Sunday of Advent

Nov. 30 – 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Dec. 1 – 8:00am Sunday Mass and 11am Sunday Mass



Adoration Wednesday's

9:30am – 7:00pm

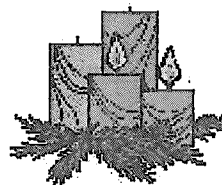
Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Monday, Dec. 9 – 6:00pm Feast Day Mass

Second Sunday of Advent

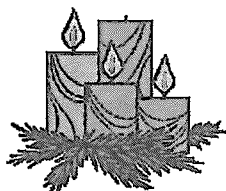
Dec. 7 – 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Dec. 8 – 8:00 & 11:00am Sunday Masses



Advent Reconciliation Service

Dec. 11 – 6:00pm (several priests available for individual reconciliation)



Third Sunday of Advent

Dec. 14 – 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Dec. 15 – 8:00 & 11:00am Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dec. 21 – 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Dec. 22 – 8:00 & 11:00am Sunday Masses



The Nativity of Our Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)

Dec. 24 – 4:00pm Vigil Mass (*Youth Mass*)

– 11:30pm Christmas Music Celebration

Dec. 25 – 12:00am Midnight Mass

– 10:00am Mass of Christmas Day

Feast of the Holy Family

Dec. 28 – 5:00pm Vigil Mass

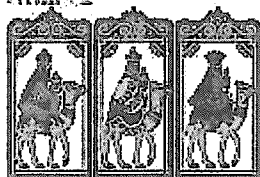
Dec. 29 – 8:00 & 11:00am Sunday



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

Dec. 31 – 6:00pm Vigil Mass

Jan. 1, 2013 – 10:00am Feast Day Mass



The Epiphany of Our Lord

Jan. 4 – 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Jan. 5 – 8:00 & 11:00am Sunday Masses

Reminder:

If you or anyone in your family is ill at home or in the hospital and would like a visit – please call the parish office at 601-372-4481. Also, if you want an anointing prior to hospitalization, let Fr. Norbert know. We also need permission to list your name in the church bulletin for prayers: stheresecc@yahoo.com

Married Couple's Retreat - February 14-16, 2014 St. Mary of the Pines Retreat Center in Chatawa, MS. Experience the peace and beauty of the pine woods in a Valentine's weekend of learning to know self and each other better. Robin and Easton Hebert, spiritual directors and retreat leaders from Lafayette, LA, will be your guides as you grow in your spirituality as a couple. For more information and reservations, contact:
Sister Helen Roper at 601-783-0801
Email address: hroper@ssndcp.org



PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

Each week at St. Therese (at all three Masses), we have a chalice and/or vocation framed picture that goes from home to home. Each home keeps the item for one week and returns it the next weekend. There are also suggested prayers that accompany the chalice and/or picture. If you would like to sign up to have the chalice/picture in your home, and pray for vocations during the coming weeks, please sign the Vocation Board found in the gathering space.

St. Therese "Little Flower Prayer Chain" Ministry

The power of prayer is available to all those in need through St. Therese parish-wide "Little Flower Prayer Chain". If you or know of someone who is in need of prayer, call 601-372-4481 or email: stheresecc@yahoo.com.

If you are interested in being on our "Little Flower Prayer Chain Phone Call Committee" let us know at the parish office.

Our Prayer Ministry is very important and We need "Prayer Warriors" ...

TRAINING GOOD STEWARDS

Our children are asked to bring up their offerings and place them in a special container at the altar, while the ushers are taking up our collection. The offering the children give will be used in youth ministry.

Choir Practice



Midnight Mass
Choir Practice
Tuesday, Dec 10th at 5:30pm
Church

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

"Outward signs instituted by Christ to give grace" is the often-memorized definition of sacrament, but through four decades of reform we have rediscovered the power of sacrament to bestow grace by reshaping our lives as individuals and communities. Not so long ago, most people, were not attentive to the nature of sacrament as an act of the Church, a power that flows from the Body of Christ. Fifty years ago, we were inclined to see a sacrament as an encounter between Christ and an individual.

Today, we see that definition does not go far enough. God's grace is not a trickle, but a gushing torrent washing over the whole Church. Like a photographer pulling back the camera for a broader picture, today we are not only interested in the person who is being baptized, reconciled, or anointed. We think about how celebrating a sacrament transforms a community. We think about the grace given by Christ to the community that baptizes or marries or ordains or confirms. Sacraments are for the good of the community. Even when it appears to be a private, hidden moment, as in individual confession, a sacrament is always for the sake of the whole body, always more than "meets the eye."

--Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

St. Therese CWA (Catholic Women's Association)

► CWA has a beautiful collection of handmade:

Rosaries \$15 Car Rosaries \$10

Rosary Bracelets \$7 Earring \$5

These items make wonderful Christmas Gifts!

Items are available for your purchase at the church office. We will "make to order" if we don't have what you want. All monies go towards funding our Annual Women's Retreat at Chatawa. To place an order email: stheresetk@yahoo.com.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

St. Therese would like to extend a warm welcome to all new members. Please complete a **blue registration form** located on the table as you enter church (on the right). If you are a regular member, and have not completed a registration form, please do so. It is important to **know** how many registered parishioners we have. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 601-372-4481 or email: stheresecc@yahoo.com and again,

Welcome to St. Therese Parish!



Please pray for the repose of souls:

† **Lloyd Hutchins** – brother-in-law of Margaret Hutchins (Billy's last sibling)

† **Henry Wilson** – brother of Melba Wilson

May they rest in peace, and may their families find comfort and consolation in the Lord.

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

Question of the Week:

What is one concrete, specific, "peaceable" thing I can do this week to ring a glimpse of Isaiah's "Peaceable Kingdom" to my little corner of God's world?

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YOUNG AT HEART

THURSDAY

December 12, 2013



12:00pm POT LUCK LUNCH and FELLOWSHIP

Come one, come all – join us for a wonderful afternoon of food, fellowship and prayer.

2:00pm Memorial Mass for Mrs. Jane Natzke

During the Month of December

PRAY THE ROSARY

For our

ST. THERESE PARISH

and PEACE IN THE WORLD!



Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Jackson is committed to ensuring that no one being served by the church be at risk of sexual abuse or exploitation by clergy, religious or lay church personnel. The spiritual well-being of all the victims, their families and others in the community is of particular concern to the church. In accordance with our policy, all victims are offered counseling and pastoral care.

Anyone who has been a victim of abuse or exploitation by clergy, religious or lay church personnel and has not yet reported it is encouraged to do so. Our victim assistance coordinator, Valerie McClellan, a licensed social worker, is available to assist in making a report. Please contact her at 601-326-3728.

For more information about diocesan policies and procedures and to learn what the diocese is doing to create a safe environment for everyone, please visit the diocesan website at www.jacksondiocese.org and click on "Protecting God's Children."

Joseph N. Latino, Bishop of Jackson

12/2013



Happy Birthday
Dr. Paul Gospodarski
December 9th

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday Dec., 11 - 9:30am-5:00pm

(Praying for Families)

Please sign-up in advance

so we know what hours will be covered.



REMEMBER OUR

ST. THERESE FOOD PANTRY

When shopping pick up a few extra items.

Our FOOD PANTRY is always in need of

canned meat, fruit, vegetables, soups,

peanut butter and jelly. **WE ASK THAT YOU TO**

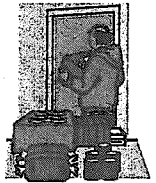
PLEASE CHECK THE EXPIRATION DATE

BEFORE DONATING. If you would rather make

a monetary donation to the Food Pantry, we will

gladly go shopping for you! **THANK YOU AND**

GOD BLESS!



Remember loved ones during this

Christmas Season with an honorary or

memorial of Poinsettias. **Envelopes are**

located in the gathering space. Please

include your name and the loved one you

would like to honor or remember on the envelope.

Thank you.

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JUSTICE AND OBEDIENCE

Justice is the insurance we have on our lives,

and obedience is the premium we pay for it.

--William Penn, English Quaker

MASS INTENTIONS



Honor a loved one with a Birthday, Anniversary

or Healing Intention - Remember a loved one

with a Memorial Mass Intention. Email:

sttheresecc@yahoo.com or call the parish office

601-372-4481 to check available calendar dates. Suggested

Mass stipend is \$10.