



# First Sunday of Advent November 29, 2015

I will raise up for David a just shoot;  
he shall do what is right and just in the land.  
-- Jeremiah 33:15

## TODAY'S READINGS:

**First Reading** – Jeremiah 33:14-16

**Psalm** – Psalm 25 [24]

**Second Reading** – 1 Thessalonians 3:12 - 4:2

**Gospel** – Luke 21:25-28, 34-36



Ann/Sam Greco, Mariel Forrester, Amanda Warren, Stephen/Crystal/Emma Lynn Warren 11/22; Larmay Acy, John Hardy, Carson/Katherine/Jamie Beck, Valerie Bernard, John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, Theresa Cannon, James Colon, Cathy/Mike Eaves, Michael Eaves, Faye Gibson, Peggy Huffman, Grace Jeadron, Rosa Jones, Ernestine Lindsey, Lorraine Lorio, Frank Machost, Ursin Oubre, Jr., Shirley Redmond, Doris Rush, Richard Sellers, John Thomas, Doug/Bessie Trovato, Johnathan Warren, Frances White, David Winters, Wayne/Zach Wyldmon 11/15; Dunlap/Shirley Peebles, Hazel Sanders 11/7; Margaret Major, Rita Reed, Teresa Reider, Sonny/Veronica Womack, Frank/Linda Develle, Michael Durst, Sandra Elliott, Abron Haymond, Marjorie Jaap, Reba Jennings, Helen Machost, Lura Matthews, Sue Trebotich, Bro. Robert McGovern C.F.C., Fr. Xavier Colavechio, Fr. Richard Somers, Fr. Lenin Vargas; Retired Bishops: William Houck and Joseph Latino 11/1; Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will stay on for one month.



**THOSE IN THE MILITARY** 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, Joe Hayes, Derek Lieding, Michael Machost, Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, 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	\$7233.20
"Take a Step"	\$589.00
Coffee and Doughnuts (\$22 needed)	\$8.00
Food Pantry	\$32.25
Youth	\$67.25
Habitat	\$100.00
Garage Sale/Habitat & Youth	\$190.00
Tamale Sale/Habitat & Youth	\$830.00
National Religious Retirement	\$5.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

## Upcoming Second Collections

Dec. 13 – National Religious Retirement

## November Month of: All Souls



Monday – Friday, 7:30am Mass Carmelite Monastery

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS:

\*\*\* Changes or Additions \*\*\*

STT – St. Therese

CTK – Christ the King

OLOG – Our Lady of Guadalupe

MFCC – Christian Catholic Family Movement

MSJLOG – Marian Servants of Jesus the Lamb of God

Saturday, November 28 – Vigil First Sunday of Advent

3:00pm

Confession

4:00pm

Mass – Special Intention

Sunday November 29 – First Sunday of Advent

9:00am

RCIA – parish hall

9:00am

English PSR – parish office classrooms

10:30am

Mass – People of the Parish;

Special Intention for Fr. Jerry Tobin

11:00am

Spanish PSR

11:30am

Confirmation - parish office

12:30pm

Spanish Mass

Monday, November 30 – NO MASS – Feast of St. Andrew

6:00pm

OLOG practice – parish hall

Tuesday, December 1 – World AIDS Day

5:00pm

Cursillo Prayer Group – prayer room

5:30pm

Mass – Special Intention

6:00pm

Pastoral Council Meeting – parish office

6:10pm

Rosary

6:30pm

Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, December 2

9:00am – 7pm

Adoration - chapel

5:30pm

Mass - CTK

6:00pm

OLOG practice – parish hall

6:00pm

Posada Children Choir Practice - church

Thursday, December 3 – St. Francis Xavier

5:30pm

Mass – Special Intention

6:00pm

Liturgy Meeting – parish office

Friday, December 4 – St. John of Damascus; First Friday

8:45am

Mass – CTK

Saturday, December 5 – Vigil Second Sunday of Advent

12Noon-3pm

Adoration - chapel

3:00pm

Confession

4:00pm

Mass – People of the Parish;

Mary and Stanley Shavel

Sunday December 6 – Second Sunday of Advent

9:00am

RCIA – parish hall

9:00am

English PSR – parish office classrooms

10:30am

Mass – Special Intention

11:00am

Spanish PSR

11:30am

Confirmation - parish office

12:30pm

Spanish Mass

**GREATNESS** - The measure of greatness is not the number of servants you have, but the number of people you serve. –Anonymous

**Sunday, December 6, Frs. Ricardo Phipps, Matthew Simmons, Kevin Slattery, Jerry Tobin and Msgr. Sunds will make themselves available for individual Advent Reconciliation from 1:30-3:00pm. Come take advantage of the healing sacrament of Reconciliation.**



Please pray for the repose of souls:

† *Carolyn Stodghill* – Mike (Ellen) Jenkins' mother

† *Mary Jane Rod* – Phyllis (Ben) Mokry's aunt

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

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!*

**During the Month of November**

**"Month of Holy Souls"**

**Ways to Remember Our Loved Ones**

1) Remembrance cards to write their names on to be included in the Prayers of the Faithful

(place in basket at altar)

2) Write their names in the *Book of the Dead*, which is located in our "Focus Space" in the front right of Church.



**2015 Habitat for Humanity**

**Catholic Build**

**--- THANK YOU ---**

**WE MET OUR PLEDGE OF \$3000.00**

*without the use of parish funds!*

**Thank You**

*A special thank you to Sergio, Eva, the Sanchez Family and their friends, for taking the time, effort and labor in preparing the delicious tamales to assist in meeting our Habitat Pledge this year.*

*We have certainly enjoyed your tamales for over the past five – six years as you have prepared them annually for our parish festival. In the future we need to enlist more people in the "preparation" to help you, in order to have more on hand to sell as our parish fundraiser.*

*Again, thank you for sharing of your time, talent, and treasure with your parish family.*



**Knights of Columbus #8485 –**

► Weekend of the Nov. 28th and 29th the Knights will lead a rosary before all Masses.

Saturday will begin at 3:30pm and Sunday 10:00am & 12:00pm.

► *Thank you to all who ordered smoked turkeys --- your support of our council is greatly appreciated.*

**Month of November**

**Prayer Intentions of our Holy Father, Pope Francis Universal: Dialogue**

That we may be open to personal encounter and dialogue with all, even those whose convictions differ from our own.

**Evangelization: Pastors**

That pastors of the church, with profound love for their flocks, may accompany them and enliven their hope.

**St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:**

**Local, State and Federal Government and Peace in the World!**



**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

In preparing for next week's beginning of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, consider: How has God's mercy touched my life? How can I become an instrument of God's mercy to others in this Jubilee Year? *Pastoral Patterns Copyright © 2015, World Library Publications*

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Wednesday - 9:00am-7:00pm

*(Praying for Families)*

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday - 12Noon-3:00pm

*(Praying for Vocations)*

*Please sign-up in advance*

*so we know what hours will be covered!*



**CARMELITE GIFT SHOP**

2155 Terry Road, Jackson, MS,

Phone: 601-373-1460

Please help our Carmelite Sisters

by shopping at their Gift Shop

**Gifts for all Occasions!**

Extensive collection of religious jewelry, rosaries, crucifixes, car items, medals and crucifixes: gifts for baby, Baptism, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, Confirmation, Weddings, Birthdays, Anniversaries any and all occasions. - **Thank you!**



**PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS**

Each week at St. Therese (at all 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 CATHOLIC CHURCH  
JACKSON, MS**

**FINANCIAL STATUS  
June 30, 2015 End of Year**

	<b>June 30, 2015</b>
SAVINGS	\$71,287.69 (includes 59,000 CatholicMutualRoofClaim\$)
<u>CHECKING</u>	<u>\$ 6,005.97</u>
NET BALANCE	\$84,793.66

**DIOCESAN LOANS/Date Originated**

	Original Note	Balance	Monthly Note
*Parish Office "Take-A-Step"	\$212,850.00	\$49,915.61	\$2,874.00 P&I
*Operational Loan (roll-over 2013-2014 CDJ Cathedraticum)	<u>\$ 32,500.00</u>	<u>\$18,254.91</u>	\$1,353.73 P&I
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LOANS</b>	<b>\$245,350.00</b>	<b>\$68,170.52</b>	

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Total Year to Date Revenue	<b>\$349,898.54</b>
Total Year to Date Expenses	<u><b>\$313,020.43</b></u>
Net Income	<b>\$ 36,878.11</b>

**FINANCIAL STATUS  
October 31, 2015**

	<b>October 31, 2015</b>
SAVINGS	\$620,839.93 (includes 59,000 CatholicMutualRoofClaim and proceeds from sale of school building \$650,000.00)
<u>CHECKING</u>	<u>\$ (253.57)</u>
NET BALANCE	\$620,586.36

**DIOCESAN LOANS/Date Originated**

	Original Note	Balance	Monthly Note
*Parish Office "Take-A-Step"	\$212,850.00	\$45,061.07	\$2,874.00 P&I
*Operational Loan (roll-over 2013-2014 CDJ Cathedraticum)	<u>\$ 32,500.00</u>	<u>\$15,058.96</u>	\$1,353.73 P&I
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LOANS</b>	<b>\$245,350.00</b>	<b>\$60,120.03</b>	

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Total Year to Date Revenue	<b>\$758,210.75</b>
Total Year to Date Expenses	<u><b>\$161,565.10</b></u>
Net Income	<b>\$596,645.65</b>

# Contribution to the Weekly Collection

What parishioners are giving now to support parish operations for the 12 months ending 9/30/2015.

This table shows the range of WEEKLY gift

Where are you now?

Average Weekly Gift	Count of Donors	Share of Donors
Under \$5	130	48%
\$5-25	88	32%
\$25-50	30	11%
\$50-75	10	4%
\$75-100	7	3%
Over \$100	6	2%
	271	100%

To meet our parish operational costs, we ask each parishioner to prayerfully consider:

- If you are giving regularly now, increase your weekly contribution by \$7 to \$10.
- If you are not giving regularly, use the envelope system and make a regular financial gift to support the operation of our parish.

(check one)

I pledge to make a weekly contribution of:

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$5/week
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$10/week
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20/week
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$40/week
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50/week
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$75/week
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>You tell us!</i>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street/Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_