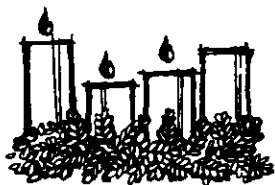


Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

The King of Israel, the LORD,
is in your midst, you have no further
misfortune to fear.
— Zephaniah 3:15b



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TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading – Zephaniah 3:14-18a

Psalm – Isaiah 12

Second Reading – Philippians 4:4-7

Gospel – Luke 3:10-18



Rita Reed, Veronica Womack, M/M Donald Burch, Bullie-Claxton Family, Guillermo Benitez, Daniel Dillon, Bob/Janis Hamblin, Jones Family, Leroy/Geraldine Kelly, Preston/Shannon Pace Family, Jon/Christin Quinn Family, Diana Sanders, Mike Skellie, Kenny Skellie, Barbe Trudeau,

Olivia/Austin White 12/16; Jodie Lencoski, Pam Smith 12/16; John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, Benny Dykes, Luis Garcia, Dinky/Jean Gartman, Lucrecia Gibson, Russell Jordan, Barry Kelly, John Laughlin, Luke/Davis Families, Helen Machost, Gladys Rod, Bill Rush, Doug Simmons, Alicia Singleton, Brenda Williams, 12/3; Sharon Alcorn, Betsy Carraway, Flynn/Liz Clark, Anna Moore, Joseph Perlick, Lillian Stachura, Vince/Sissy Warren Family 11/25; Tommy/Traci Avalon, James Brown, Theresa Cannon, Frank/Linda Develle, Mike/Cathy/Michael Eaves, John Horton, Grace Jeadron, Sean Johnson, Walter Johnson, Kurt Leary, Lorraine Lorio, John McDonnell, Ursin Oubre Jr, Theresa Ray, Sabra Wilkerson 11/18; **Homebound/Nursing Homes:** Sandra Elliott, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Anna Starr, Tom/Brenda Steen, Mary Stubbs, Sue Trebotich **Priests/Religious:** Brian Carroll, Sam Messina, Robert Olivier, Lenin Vargas, Retired Bishop Joseph Latino. **Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will appear 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, Lee Greco, Erling Gresham, Tanner Hutchins, Steven J. Jackson, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Derek Lieding, Anna/Malcolm Lowe, Michael Machost Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, and Nathan Waltman, Austin White. You may place a picture of the individual on our military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

Sacrificial Giving this past week:

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| Budget Needed Weekly | \$6,000.00 |
| Regular Tithe | \$5,105.03 |
| "New Life" Capital Campaign | \$1320.00 |
| Coffee and doughnuts | \$4.00 |
| Youth | \$36.00 |
| Lector Books | \$49.00 |
| Votives | \$39.17 |
| Habitat for Humanity | \$210.50 |
| Retired Religious National | \$223.00 |

Thank you for your generosity!

December Month of: The Divine Infancy



WEEKLY SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS:

*** Changes or Additions

STT – St. Therese
OLOG – Our Lady of Guadalupe
MFC – Christian Catholic Family Movement
MSJLOG – MARIAN SERVANTS® of Jesus, the Lamb of God

Saturday, Dec. 15 – Vigil of the Third Sunday of Advent

10:00am Decorate the Church – All are invited to help
3:00pm Confession
4:00pm **Mass** – Charlotte Marie Luke; People of the Parish
6-8pm Christmas Concert in Church

Sunday, Dec. 16 – Third Sunday of Advent; Los Posadas begins

8:45am RCIA – parish hall
9:30am **Mass** – Joey Greco Birthday Intention
10:45 **PSR/Confirmation/Youth Group**
12:30pm **Spanish Mass followed by Advent Spanish Penance Service**



7:30am Mass Monday – Friday at the Carmelite Monastery

Monday, Dec. 17 – No Mass

Tuesday, Dec. 18 - International Migrants Day

5:00pm Cursillo Group – parish office/kitchen
5:30pm **Mass** – Charlotte Marie Luke
6:00pm Rosary/Prayer Meeting – chapel

Wednesday, Dec. 19

8:30am **Mass** – Extension Society Intention
9:00am-5:00pm **Adoration** – chapel



Thursday, Dec. 20

5:30pm **Mass** – Extension Society Intention
6:00pm SDVP – parish hall

Friday, Dec. 21 – St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins

8:45am **Mass** - CTK

Saturday, Dec. 22 – Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Advent

3:00pm Confession
4:00pm **Mass** – Doriet Harris

Sunday, Dec. 23 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

***No RCIA – parish hall
9:30am **Mass** – Billy Hutchins
***No PSR/Confirmation/Youth Group
12:30pm **Spanish Mass**
3:00pm **Vietnamese Mass**

Question of the Week

Knowing that God is our midst, how can I answer the question from the Gospel: "What should I do?"

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17
Tuesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
Thursday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

IMPRESSIONABLE



A child's life is like a piece of paper on which every passerby leaves a mark.

--Ancient Chinese proverb

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!


St. Therese Community extends a warm welcome to all new members. **Please complete a purple registration form located on the table as you enter church (on the right).** It is important for us to know you and know how many registered parishioners we have. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 601-372-4481 or email: sttherese@jacksondiocese.org and again,

Welcome to St. Therese Parish!

 **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**
Wednesday Time Change
9:00am – 5:00pm 


If you are willing to commit to one hour each week please sign up in the gathering space so we know what hours will be covered.

Thank you!

 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.*

December Prayer Intentions of our Holy Father, Pope Francis

Evangelization: Service of the Transmission of Faith
That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:
Put an END to All Violence
and Peace in the World! 



"Knights of Columbus Council 8285 extends a sincere "Thank You" to parishioners who supported the Christmas Card and

Thanksgiving Smoked Meat fundraisers. We cleared over \$750! Twelve kids served by Catholic Charities got new coats which cost \$254. The remaining funds will support other charitable activities by the Council."



PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Diocese of Jackson is committed to ensuring that no one being served by the church be (is) 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 "Protection of Children".

Bishop Joseph R. Kopacz, D.D., Ph.D.
December 2018 

Register your Kroger Card and choose St. Therese Catholic Church as your non-profit Community Rewards to receive a % each month.

Go to Kroger.com and choose **Savings & Rewards** dropdown, from there choose **Kroger Community Rewards, I'm a Customer, View Details, Create an Account, Find and Select a store, Create Account, Find an Organization, St. Therese Catholic Church SEARCH, Enroll and Sign Out.**

Thank you for your consideration.

World Marriage Day 2019

The Catholic Diocese of Jackson and the Office of Family Ministry is pleased to announce that **World Marriage Day 2019 will be held Sunday, February 24, 2019 at 3:00 pm at the Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle, Jackson, Mississippi.** There will be a Mass celebrated by Bishop Joseph R. Kopacz, with a reception immediately following. The Mass honors all married couples, but invites those celebrating their 25th, 50th, and 60th anniversaries, or any significant anniversary. **Please submit your name, address and wedding date prior to January 3, 2019, to Teresa at the parish office for your formal invitation.**