



# Saint Therese

Catholic Church - Iglesia Católica

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## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 6, 2020

“If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.”  
— Matthew 18:19

### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — Ezekiel 33:7-9

**Psalm** — Psalm 95

**Second Reading** — Romans 13:8-10

**Gospel** — Matthew 18:15-20



### PASTORAL CARE

Billy & Janna Avalon, Mary Maziarz, Vicki Hillman, Gwen Roberson, Margaret Hutchins, Johnny Williams, Glynn Long, Leslie Alcorn, Tommy/Traci Avalon, Tom/Angela/Seth Brittain, Theresa Cannon, Eva Jean Davis, Frank/Linda Develle, James Doddridge, Mike/Cathy/Jared/Michael Eaves, Janis Hamblin, Lindsay Harwood, Steve Kennedy, Jodie Lencock, Traci and Andrew Miller, Steve Musil, Jon/Christin Quinn Family, Kenny Skellie, Karen Winn, Chad Ermis, Corey/Bonnie Granier, Betsy Carraway, James Lee, Jr., Joseph Perlick, Irene Rangel, Rita Reed, Bill Rush, Lillian Stachura, Epigenia Tartinez, Vince/Sissy/Codi Warren, John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, James/Marva Brown, Beth Gaines, Lucrecia Gibson, Janie Keary, John Laughlin, Nettles/Pollard Families, Doug Simmons, Pam Smith.

### HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME

Helen Machost, Rosemary Anderson, Brenda Williams, Eugene Humphery, Adelaida Dethloff, Sandra Elliott, Kenny Evans, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Aurora Ramirez, Kate Rutherford, Anna Starr, Tom/Brenda Steen, Sue Trebotich;



**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, Ty Develle, 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, Nathan Waltman.

**PRAYERS OF SAFETY AND HEALTH FOR ALL DOCTORS, NURSES, AIDS, PT’S AND ALL THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES CARING FOR ALL WITH COVID-19!**

### Sacrificial Giving this past week:

<b>Budget Needed Weekly</b>	<b>\$6000.00</b>
<b>Weekly Offertory</b>	<b>\$4,137.00</b>
<b>Online</b>	<b>\$ 722.00</b>
<b>New Life/Nueva Vida</b>	<b>\$ 327.00</b>
<b>Online</b>	<b>\$ 180.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

**Mon:** 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

**Tues:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

**Wed:** 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26

**Thurs:** 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38

**Fri:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

**Sat:** 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

**Sunday** Sir 27:30 — 28:7; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

**Sunday, August 6** — 9:30am Bob & Angela Kruseski  
— 11:30am Jorge Olvera

**Mon, August 7** —

**Tues, September 8** —

**Wed, September 9** — Glenn & Doris Kemp

**Thurs, August 10** —

**Fri, September 11** — No Mass

**Sat September 12** — No Mass

**Please fill out a Mass Intention Envelope and place in the collection basket or call the office 601-372-4481.**

**St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:  
Vaccine and Cure for the Coronavirus-19**

### **PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

**Registration is from August the 31<sup>st</sup> to September 13<sup>th</sup>.** No children are accepted after de deadline registration. **You must call to register your children** due to Covid. Also, you must sing the consent form and liability waiver parishes-COVID 19.

For **Spanish Religius education. Call Cinthya 601-668-3460.**

For **English Religious Education. Call Ingrid P. 601-316-5312.**

— **Sunday School in Person for First Communion:** 1st and 2nd year.

— **Sunday School In Person for Confirmation:** 1st and 2nd year.

— **Youth meeting in Person** every Sunday at St. Therese.

All Classes and sessions in Person at St. Therese must be with social distancing regulations, sanitized meeting spaces, and mandatory mask wearing.

— **Post Communion Classes:** meeting twice a month. One in Person at St. Therese and the other one online at home. (zoom meeting) Let by Catechist.

— **R.C.I.A.** Zoom meetings. (Begins September 20) If you know somebody or you are intrested in learning about the Catholic Faith. Please call the office and let Padre know.

**VERY IMPORTANT: You must be a register parishoner in order to participate at St. Therese Parish Religion Education.**

## **September: The Month of Our Lady of Sorrows**

The month of September is traditionally dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows. Aside from Jesus, no human being has suffered more than our Mother

Mary. In perfect obedience to the will of God, she accepted Jesus humiliation and suffering on the Cross. As any parent knows, watching one's child suffer is the greatest suffering of all. She still carries the sufferings of her divine Son in her heart.

### **The seven sorrows of Mary:**

1. Prophecy of Simeon. (Luke 2:34-35)
2. Flight into Egypt. (Matthew 2:13-21)
3. Loss of the Child Jesus. (Luke 2:41-50)
4. Meeting Jesus as he carried his Cross to Calvary. (John 19:17)
5. The Crucifixion. (John 19:18-30)
6. Body of Jesus being placed in Mary's arms. (John 19:39-40)
7. Burial of Jesus. (John 19:39-42)



### **Introduction o the Liturgy of the Day**

Each of us is our brother's (and sister's) keeper. Today we hear God calling us to be responsible for each other. No one should be left on their own to fail; we are called to pick each other up, to help each other out. This Labor Day weekend, when we honor all those who work to do the things that contribute to society, whether in a factory, on a farm, in an office, at home, or wherever it may be, let us resolve to work together in building the kingdom of God.

### **Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word**

God calls Ezekiel to be watchman for the house of Israel. God wants him to intervene to lead sinners back to God. Paul reminds us that we are commanded to love our neighbor as ourselves. Jesus tells his disciples that they must draw sinners to reconciliation with themselves, each other, and the entire church. As we listen to today's readings, let us reflect on whom we need to be reconciled with and resolve with God's grace to do so.

### **Question of the Week:**

What can I do to reconcile with someone whom I or others have excluded?

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SAINT PETER CLAVER (1581-1654)  
September 9

Nearly two hundred years before the Declaration of Independence proclaimed "that all men are created equal," two hundred fifty years before the Emancipation Proclamation mandated an end to slavery, three hundred fifty years before Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream," and four hundred years before the election of an American president boasting African heritage, Peter Claver left his native Spain behind to volunteer for the Jesuit missions in Colombia. There, he was horrified both by slavery as an institution and by the inhuman brutality inflicted upon the slaves. He solemnly vowed to become "the slave of the slaves," and lived that vow heroically for close to forty years. Not knowing their language, Peter began his ministry among the slaves by using the universal language of practical charity, providing medical care and a tangible though wordless assertion of their human dignity: "We spoke to them not with words but with our hands, kneeling beside them, bathing their faces and bodies, encouraging them with friendly gestures" (see Liturgy of the Hours, Volume 4, p. 2018). Then came evangelization and baptism. Holiness as human wholeness: Peter Claver's enduring witness.

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