



Saint Therese

Catholic Church - Iglesia Católica

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph December 27, 2020

“My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all the peoples.”

— Luke 2:30-31

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Sirach 3:2-6,12-14

Psalm — Psalm 128

Second Reading — Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]

Gospel — Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]



PASTORAL CARE

Tim Opiela, Margaret Williams, Kathy Payment, Crystal and Stephen Warren, Phil Thiac, Meg Maziarz, Glynn Long, John Bradshaw, Andrew Lavigne, Billy & Janna Avalon, Mary Maziarz, Vicki Hillman, Gwen Roberson,

Tommy/Traci Avalon, Tom/Angela/Seth Brittain, Theresa Cannon, Eva Jean Davis, 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, Lillian Stachura, Epigenia Tartinez, Vince/Sissy/Codi Warren, James/Marva Brown, Beth Gaines, Lucrecia Gibson, Janie Keary, John Laughlin, Nettles/Pollard Families, Doug Simmons, Pam Smith.

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME

Helen Machost, Brenda Williams, Eugene Humphery, Adelaida Dethloff, Sandra Elliott, Kenny Evans, Aurora Ramirez, Kate Rutherford, Anna Starr, Tom/Brenda Steen, Sue Trebotich.

Eternal Rest to: Lindsay Harwood



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.

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

Sacrificial Giving this past week:

Budget Needed Weekly	\$ 6,000.00
Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,007.00
Online	\$ 391.00
New Life/Nueva Vida	\$ 637.00
Online	\$ 0.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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ST. THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

P. O. Box 8642

Jackson, MS 392864-8642

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Thank you for your assistance.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt:13-18
Tues: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Wed: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Thurs: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Fri: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Sat: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Sunday, December 27

9:30am –

12:30pm –

Mon, December 28 —

Tues, December 29 —

Wed, December 30 —

Thurs, December 31 —

Fri, January 1 —

Sat, January 2 —

Please fill out a Mass Intention Envelope and place in the collection basket.

TIME

Do not squander time,
for that is the stuff life is made of.

—Benjamin Franklin

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"Children and unborn children should be protected by law and welcomed into life."

-President George W. Bush



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

It begins every Wednesday at 9am and concludes at 3p.m. Come to a quiet place and spend an hour with Jesus. Please call the office to make an appointment with Jesus on Wednesday. We need volunteers!!!

NOTE: No Adoration on the following Wednesdays
***December 23 and December 30**

Adoration will resume on Wednesday January 6, 2021

December Office and Mass Schedule

Office: Closed December 24, 2020 - January 3, 2021

**** Reopens January 4, 2021 as normal**

Mass:

Sunday 12/27/20- **9:30 am** English
12:30 pm Spanish

Friday 01/01/21- **10 am** (bilingual)

Sunday 01/03/21- **9:30 am** English
12:30 pm Spanish

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!



Introduction of the Liturgy of the Day:

We continue to celebrate this festive season of Christmas by honoring the Holy Family. Jesus' mother, Mary, and his foster father, Joseph, each trusted in the Lord when they accepted the unique start of their family. Though their family faced dangers from the start, they remained united in love, which Saint Paul calls the bond of perfection. May our families share these bonds of love, enabling us to face the hardships and sorrows of life.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

Today's readings relate values all families should treasure. The selection from Sirach speaks of the way we ought to treat each other, closing with a moving portrayal of an adult child and elderly parent. Paul lists the qualities we should manifest in our families, especially love. Luke tells the story of Mary and Joseph bringing the infant Jesus to the temple in order to present him to God. As we listen to today's readings, let us see our own families in the words we hear.

Question of the Week:

How can I better see Christ in my family members?
How can I better see neighbors and strangers as my sisters and brothers?

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FEAST OF FAITH Processions

Why does the liturgy begin with a procession? It is not just a practical matter of getting the ministers of the liturgy from the sacristy to the sanctuary. The procession is a powerful sign of who we are as Christian people. We are not static, staying in one place. We are going somewhere. Our procession leads us to the altar, sign of Christ's presence in our midst. We move, we process, because we recognize our need for what Christ is preparing for us at that table. We go forward eagerly, because we are hungry for that heavenly food.

This procession is an orderly one: servers, deacon, priest presider. Each is set apart by distinctive vesture: albs for the altar servers, dalmatic for the deacon, chasuble for the priest. The procession is an image of the hierarchical structure of the Church. On a deeper level it is an image of unity in diversity. We are all on a journey to the heavenly city, but each of us is clothed with different gifts. We all receive the call to service, but not in the same way. Only by coming together in all our wonderful variety can we achieve the work of the kingdom.

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