



Saint Therese

Catholic Church - Iglesia Católica

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Third Sunday of Lent

March 07, 2021

“I, the LORD, am your God . . .

You shall not have other gods besides me.”

— Exodus 20:2a, 3

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Exodus 20:1-17

Psalm — Psalm 19

Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Gospel — John 2:13-25



PASTORAL CARE

Amanda Roberts, Meg Maziarz, Rhozia Crozier, Margaret Hutchins, Emma Abbott, Nhung Nguyen, Carrol Houg, Sarah & Max Allen, Tommy (Margaret

Williams' brother), Sonny Womack, Roger & Vicky Venable and Family, Charles Coleman, Tim Opiela, Margaret Williams, Kathy Payment, Crystal and Stephen Warren, Phil Thiac, Glynn Long, John Bradshaw, Andrew Lavigne, Billy & Janna Avalon, Vicki Hillman, Gwen Roberson, Tommy/Traci Avalon, Tom/Angela/Seth Brittain, Theresa Cannon, Eva Jean Davis, Linda Develle, Mike/Cathy/Jared/Michael Eaves, Janis Hamblin, Steve Kennedy, Jodie Lencock, 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, Epigmenia Tartinez, Vince/Sissy/Codi Warren, James/Marva Brown, 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, Aurora Ramirez, Kate Rutherford, Anna Starr, Tom/Brenda Steen, Sue Trebotich.

Eternal Rest to: Sister Brenda Monahan



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.

Sacrificial Giving this past week:	
Budget Needed Weekly	\$ 6,000.00
Weekly Offertory	\$ 5,219.80
Online	\$ 237.00
New Life/Nueva Vida	\$ 283.00
Online	\$ 0.00

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tues: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt. 18:21-35

Wed: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thurs: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

Fri: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

Sat: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Sunday, March 7

9:30am – Jill Hisaw, Mary Shavel, & Tyler Schwindaman

12:30pm –

3:00pm -

Mon, March 8 —

Tues, March 9 —

Wed, March 10 —

Thurs, March 11 —

Fri, March 12 —

Sat, March 13 — no Mass

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

REMINDERS

People more frequently require to be reminded than informed.

—Samuel Johnson

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



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 appointed with Jesus on Wednesday.

We need volunteers!!!

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 fail. We sin. We fall. We humans are weak, so we turn to God for strength. During this penitential season, we are keenly aware of our need for mercy and forgiveness. God's mercy and forgiveness came to full fruition in Jesus, who redeemed us by taking on our failings, our sins, our mortality. God has the words of everlasting life, as we sing in the psalm today, so we look to God this day for words of mercy and love as we recommit ourselves to our Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.



Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

Today we hear of the foundations of our faith. First we are reminded of the commandments God gave the Chosen People to guide them in their behavior. Saint Paul explains how Jesus' self-sacrifice was neither foolish nor weak, for in it he showed the strength of love over death. John explains that when Jesus lashes out at those who profane the temple and then declares that he will raise it up in three days he is referring to the temple of his body. Let us listen to these readings as people of faith, finding wisdom in God's word.

Question of the Week:

How do I profane the temple of the Holy Spirit within me? Within others?

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FEAST OF FAITH

Postures of the Mass

In the Mass, we pray not only with our lips, but with our bodies as well. We stand when the ministers enter. In Western culture, standing is a sign of attention, a mark of respect: all stand when the judge enters the courtroom, for example. Standing is also an ancient posture of prayer, mentioned frequently in the Old Testament. When the readings begin, we sit down: a listening posture. Mary sat at Jesus' feet to listen to his teaching; the crowds sat on the hillside or the seashore to hear his words. Kneeling is another posture that is full of meaning. It expresses adoration and worship, but it can also express humility and contrition. We bow: a sign of honor and reverence, acknowledging the presence of God, especially when we receive the Eucharist. And there are other ritual gestures as well—striking the breast, genuflecting, and of course making the sign of the cross. The liturgy invites us to pray with our whole person—with heart and mind, voice and body.

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Monthly Devotion for March

St. Joseph



As the foster father of Christ, taking care of the young Savior and looking after his Most Blessed Mother, he is among the most distinguished figures in Christianity.

In his openness and fidelity to God's plan, Joseph is a great example of service to all Christians, and especially to all who

are called to the vocation of fatherhood.

When betrothed to Mary, he no doubt expected that the union would be the typical affair of the time. He would have his own children with her and live a quiet family life in the small Judean backwater of Nazareth out of which nothing good seemed to have ever come. (John 1:46)

And yet his life takes a completely unexpected turn when his bride-to-be becomes pregnant somehow, and an angel of the Lord informs him that he is now betrothed to the mother of God's Son and has an obligation to watch over them both.

St. Joseph, a man who says little and about whom we know next to nothing, is nonetheless a good model of parenting and stewardship.

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Give Up Something for Lent

Now is a good time to think about what you may want to give up for lent this year. Reflect on actions that you can change. Try one of the following:

- Give up complaining, focus on gratitude.
- Give up cynicism, become an optimist.
- Give up harsh judgments, think kindly thoughts.
- Give up worry, trust in the Lord.
- Give up discouragement, become more hopeful.
- Give up bitterness, turn to forgiveness.
- Give up resentment, cultivate some humility.
- Give up negativism, be more positive.
- Give up anger, be more patient.
- Give up pettiness, become mature.
- Give up gloom, learn to smile.
- Give up jealousy, adopt a generous attitude.
- Give up gossiping, control your tongue.
- Give up tension, find more humor.
- Give up giving up, be persistent in prayer!

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MASS INTENTIONS

Honor a loved one with a Birthday, Anniversary or Healing Intention

Remember a loved one with a Memorial Mass Intention.

Email: sttherese@jacksondiocese.org
call the parish office 601-372-4481

Suggested Mass stipend is \$10.

“Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights...” -James 1:17

Have you considered donating to the church through *Online Giving*? If you manage your bills online, why not give to your church online? It's safe, secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes.



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Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent

English – 5:30 pm

Spanish – 7 pm

