



# Saint Therese

Catholic Church - Iglesia Católica

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## November 27, 2022 First Sunday of Advent

*You . . . must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come “.”*  
— Matthew 24:44

### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — Isaiah 2:1-5

**Psalm** — Psalm 122

**Second Reading** — Romans 13:11-14

**Gospel** — Matthew 24:37-44

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

**Mon:** Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

**Tues:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

**Wed:** Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

**Thurs:** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

**Fri:** Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

**Sat:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

**Sunday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday November 27**

**8:30 a.m.**

ALL INTENTIONS IN OUR BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Paul Zaragoza+

**1:00 p.m.**

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Alberto Ocampo+

Antonio Espín+

Antonio Gómez+

Ramona Reyes+

Esther Gil Robles+

Karina Solano Herrera - Birthday

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

### **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](mailto:sttherese@jacksondiocese.org)

call the parish office 601-372-4481

Suggested Mass stipend is \$10.

### Sacrificial Giving this past week:

Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,718.00
Online	\$ 00.00
New Life/Nueva Vida	\$ 555.00
Online	\$ 00.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## Important Dates!!

**November 27<sup>th</sup>** First Sunday of Advent

**December 6<sup>th</sup>** St. Nicholas Day

**December 8<sup>th</sup>** Immaculate Conception  
Holy Day of Obligation  
Mass at 6:00 p.m.

**December 11<sup>th</sup>** (Sunday) St. Therese will celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe

**December 12<sup>th</sup>** Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

**December 16 – 24** Posadas

**December 17<sup>th</sup>** Confessions 9 A.M to 3 P.M.

### December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Vigil Masses

St. Therese Spanish Mass 4:00 pm

Carmelite Mass 5:00 pm

St. Therese English Mass 6:30 pm

St. Stephen Magee 6:30 pm

### **December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day**

Carmelite Monastery 7:30 am

St. Therese English Mass 8:30 am

**\*\* NO Spanish Mass\*\***

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

What are we really waiting for during Advent? The longstanding tradition of the Church is that the Advent season really marks not one but three comings of Christ: his coming into history two thousand years ago, his coming in glory at the end of time, and his coming into our hearts here and now. Advent starts with a focus on the future coming of Christ so that we might see the big picture. If Christmas is to make any sense at all, we have to ask the question, "What are you doing to get ready for the (final) coming of Christ?" This perspective opens us up to the sense of anticipation experienced by the Jewish people on the eve of the first coming of Christ. This Advent, we will hear John the Baptist tell them (and us) how best to prepare. He urges repentance and an examination and reform of our way of life.

Then on the Fourth Sunday, we are drawn in to the history of Jesus' arrival as the child of Joseph and Mary. Our work of spiritual preparation brings us to the point of the whole season. What good is it that Christ comes into my heart if I don't then carry that presence out into the world, just as Mary did?



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., Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, Nathan Waltman.

## **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** First Sunday of Advent

**Monday:**

**Tuesday:**

**Wednesday:** St. Andrew

**Thursday:** World AIDS Awareness Day

**Friday:** First Friday

**Saturday:** St. Francis Xavier; First Saturday

## **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Rhoyia Crozier, Ingrid Piernas, Francisco Gonzales, Marvin Cannon, Maria Del Pilar Dianderas, Vicky Venable, John Bradshaw, Eva Davis, Ann Greco, Ellen Jenkins, Sissie Warren, Jo Ann Lasley, Andrew Lee, Jessica Alcorn, Shanna/Shania McCollum, Alex Rodriguez, Jessica Alcorn, Liz Coleman, Ana Luisa Lugo, Derek Stevenson, Margaret Hutchins, Sam/Ann Greco, Vicki Hillman, Marvin Cannon, Cynthia Vieyra, Teresa Hayes, Janna Avalon, Teresa and Rusty Kemp, Dianne Sanders, Vanessa Farrington, Hugo Estrada Jr., Gabriel Rigby, Lucy Lovertich, John Hudson, Jimmy Jones(Thiac Son-in-law), Gerry Trudeau, Sonny/Veronica Womack, Tim Opiela, Margaret Williams, Kathy Payment, Crystal and Stephen Warren, Gwen Roberson, Theresa Cannon, Mike/Cathy/Jared/Michael Eaves, Jon/Christin Quinn Family, Rita Reed, James/Marva Brown, Pam Smith.

## **HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME**

Kenneth White, Helen Machost, Brenda Williams, Adelaida Dethloff, Sandra Elliott, Tom/Brenda Steen  
**Please call the office to add a person to the prayer list.**

## **PRAYER OF THE WEEK**

### *Advent Prayer*

Come, Lord Jesus.

O God, you are great indeed.

Look upon us and reveal your glory,  
promised to Abraham and sent to us  
through David and his lineage.

Send us the warmth of your love, the light of your  
Word,

the vision of your wisdom, and the comfort of your people.  
Open our hearts in welcome and grant us your salvation.

Fill our minds with watchful hope  
and let us see your kindness.

Give us new life, the promise and joy of salvation.  
May the glory of your Son dwell in our land forever.

We pray: Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Just as the Sacred Heart represents Christ's love for mankind, the Immaculate Heart represents the desire of the Blessed Virgin to bring all people to her Son.

On August 15th we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption; the day we recall Our Blessed Mother being assumed into heaven and crowned queen.



*Assumption of Mary, Palma il Vecchio, c.1512-1514, Public Domain.*

## The Immaculate Heart of Mary



*The Heart of Mary, Leopold Kupelwieser, c. 1796-1862. Public Domain*

Mary, the ideal steward ... *one of the first who 'believed'* ... wishes to act upon those who entrust themselves to her as children. During the month of August, pray and ask for Mary's intercession that we may know her son's Will, and live it in our lives.

*"Mary, who was conceived without sin and who suffered for us, pray for us."*

## Stewarding Our Families

### *August Stewardship Article for weekly eNewsletter*

August brings us face to face with one of life's realities: Summer vacation will come to an end. The beginning of school brings a return to routine, and this translates into less eating on the run, and more scheduled meals around the family dinner table. It's not always possible for the whole family to eat together but making it a priority at least some nights of the week can pay big dividends for the Christian steward trying to raise a family of faith. Below are a few dinner table tips:

- Everyone should know certain nights are family dinner nights. Look closely at everyone's schedule and make a plan.
- Always set the table nicely and sit down. Pick up a special dessert as a treat once in a while.
- Parents and kids often hit the dinner hour fatigued. Try to relax. Make a point to start off with a smile and laughter.
- Resist scolding or criticizing a child at dinner. Allow the dinner table to be a place of welcome and support.



- Share the ups and downs of your own day and listen respectfully.
- As you review the day's events, don't forget God. Express an interest in what's being taught in religion class or in weekly faith formation.
- Set the rule that everyone remains seated until everyone is finished.
- Divide the duties of setting the table, clearing, washing dishes, even cooking so that everyone has a role to play, and the work goes quickly.
- Bring back the custom of an "after dinner" prayer, brief and blessed.

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## Supporting Future Priests



**SAVE THE DATE**

**OCTOBER 29, 2022  
6:30 P.M.**

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH  
4000 TIDEWATER LANE · MADISON MS

## Meet Our Seminarians



Deacon Carlisle Beggerly  
Immaculate Conception - West Point  
4th Year Theology



Ryan Stoer  
St. Richard Parish - Jackson  
3rd Year Theology



Tristan Stovall  
Holy Cross - Philadelphia  
3rd Year Theology



John Le  
St. Francis - Brookhaven  
2nd Year Theology



Will Foggo  
St. Paul - Flowood  
1st Year Theology



Grayson Foley  
St. Richard - Jackson  
3rd Year Philosophy



EJ Martin, Jr.  
St. Richard - Jackson  
1st Year Pre-Theology

**GIVING  
TUESDAY**

**November 29, 2022**

If you want to bring together good men and women from Mississippi and encourage them to seek the will of God in their life, please consider being a sponsor or buying tickets for this event.



**2022 HOMEGROWN HARVEST  
Registration**

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