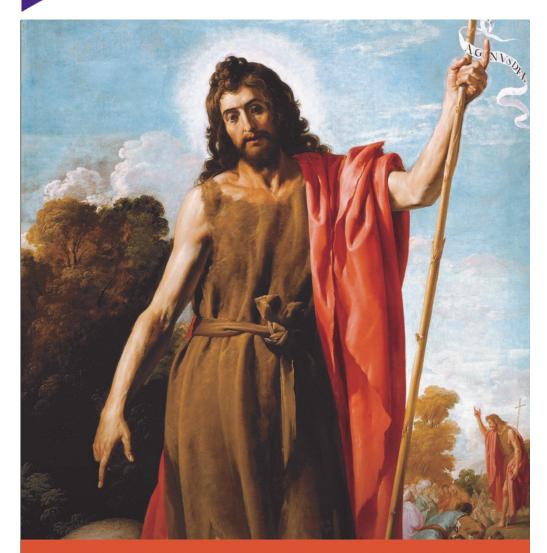


The Faith Community of

# ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

**CATHOLIC CHURCH** 



# 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

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#### **OUR PARISH MISSION**

We are a welcoming
Christian family
committed to Catholic
values, responding
to the call of Christ
revealed in the diversity
of human need. We
practice a conscious,
living, active faith
in a community whose
source of strength is
the Eucharist.

#### Miraculous Prayer to the Little Flower

O Little flower of Jesus, ever consoling troubled souls with heavenly graces, in our unfailing intercessions I place my confident trust. From the heart of our Divine Savior, petition the blessings of which I stand in greatest need......Shower upon me your promised roses of virtue and grace, Dear St. Therese, so that swiftly advancing in sanctity and perfect love of neighbor, I may someday receive the crown of life eternal.

Amen

# The Best Advent Hymn Ever!

by Msgr. Charles Pope (LifeSiteNews.com, Dec. 18, 1017)

https://www.lifesitenews.com/opinion/most-catholics-have-never-heard-of-this-beautiful-advent-hymn

For my money, the best Advent hymn ever is *Veni Redemptor Gentium* (Come Redeemer of the Nations), written by St. Ambrose in the 4th century. It is more widely known by the title "Come Thou Redeemer of the Earth." I think the poetic English translation reprinted below is a minor masterpiece of English literature and hope that you'll agree. Enjoy this sweeping theological vision of the mystery of Advent caught up into the grand and fuller vision of redemption.

Among the theological truths treated in this brief hymn are these: His title as Redeemer, His birth to a virgin, His inclusion of the Gentiles, His sinlessness, His two natures in one person, His incarnation at conception, His passion, His death, His descent into Hell, His ascension, His seat at the Father's right hand, His divinity and equality with the Father, His healing and sanctification of our humanity so wounded by sin, His granting us freedom and eternal life, His renewing of our minds through the light of faith, and His opening of Heaven to us. Not bad for a mere seven verses! St Ambrose, pray for us!

Come, thou Redeemer of the earth, Come manifest thy virgin birth: All lands admire, all times applaud: Such is the birth that fits our God.

Forth from his chamber goeth he, That royal home of purity, A giant in twofold substance one, Rejoicing now his course to run.

The Virgin's womb that glory gained, Its virgin honor is still unstained. The banners there of virtue glow; God in his temple dwells below.

From God the Father he proceeds, To God the Father back he speeds; Runs out his course to death and hell, Returns on God's high throne to dwell.

### **CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT:**

Confessions will be heard on following days during the Advent season:

Tuesday Dec. 17: 4:30-5:30pm at Mt. Carmel Wed. Dec. 18: 6:30-7:30pm at St. Therese Monday Dec. 23: 5-6pm at Mt. Carmel Monday Dec. 23: 7-8pm at St. Therese

O Equal to thy Father, thou! Gird on thy fleshly mantle now; The weakness of our mortal state With deathless might invigorate.

Thy cradle here shall glitter bright, And darkness breathe a newer light, Where endless faith shall shine serene, And twilight never intervene.

All laud, eternal Son, to thee Whose advent sets thy people free, Whom with the Father we adore, And Holy Ghost, for evermore.

#### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

St. Therese 4:00pm & 10:00pm

Mt. Carmel 4pm &12am Midnight Mass

Wednesday, Dec. 25 Christmas Day:

St. Therese 9:30am

Mt. Carmel 10am

# **HOLY DAY of Obligation: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

Tuesday, Dec. 31 (Anticipated Masses)

St. Therese 4:00pm

Mt. Carmel 4:00pm

Wednesday, Jan. 1 Mary, Mother of God

St Therese 9:30am

Mt. Carmel 10am & 12 noon Latin Mass

**Fr. Campbell's Wednesday morning 6 am Men's Bible Study:** 6am in the meeting room of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School. Bring a Bible & Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC). We study the upcoming Sunday Scriptures.

**PRAY for the SICK in our PARISH**, and visit them if possible: Jan Petrin, Diana Sauter, Josephine Gombar, Germaine Brennan, Gerry Buhnerkempe, Sue Kratowicz, Rebecca Dugan, Maria Miller, Pat Ware, William Wasurick, Mary Jo Koski, Sandra Reider, Phyllis Giovannoni and Daniel Lenegar. If anyone knows of any other sick persons in our parish, please call the rectory 262-694-4695.

## Holiday Hoopla Update

The event is Dec 14 and 15 with the vendor and craft fair on both days. Times are Saturday from 10 am to 7 pm and Sunday 9 am to 1 pm. On Saturday, Santa will visit from 2pm to 4 pm. There will be a spaghetti dinner from approximately 5:00 pm (after Mass) until 7:00 pm. Carry-outs will be available. The Holy Name Society will be having a pancake and porky breakfast on **Sunday, Dec 15** from 9-11 in the hall. Cost is \$5 for for adults, \$3 for children 3 to 12 years old.

Community Outreach collection for the month of December is for God's Kitchen. Providing food & basic life necessities within the immediate community. Needs: Hats, gloves, scarves, thermals, sleeping bags, personal hygiene items. Monetary donations are also welcome and may be placed in the Community Outreach box.

# Pope's Prayer Intention for December. Universal:

That every country determine to take necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

**Sign up for FLOCKNOTE!** To sign up: Send the word LOOP (typed in all caps) as text message to this address: 84576. Then you will be in our parish "loop."

#### **Parish Support**

Weekend of December 1, 2019

#### \$5,305.85

 Budgeted weekly need...
 \$4,327.00

 Weekly offertory
 \$5,305.85

 Over/Under budget
 \$978.85

 Plan YTD
 \$90,865.00

 Actual
 \$92,524.00

 Excess (5 months)
 \$1,659.00

Next class for The Mystical City of God (The Divine Life of the Most Holy Virgin) by Ven. Mary of Agreda (1602-1666) will be Tuesday, Dec. 10, 7pm at St. Therese Church, Kenosha. We use *The Divine Life of the Most Holy Virgin*; copies available to purchase at \$17 at St. Therese Church.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Blest
Art will be visiting your parish selling olive
wood carvings on behalf of the Christian
families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Our mission is to support those families in the Holy
Land. For centuries, the Christians in and
around Bethlehem have earned a living by
carving religious olive wood art to sell to
visiting pilgrims. Fewer pilgrims are journeying to the Holy Land today, making it difficult for
those Christians to support their families. As a result,
there has been a dramatic rise in Christian emigration from the Holy Land. Now, less than 1% of the
population in the Holy Land is Christians.

Blest Art Inc helps the struggling Christian families of Bethlehem by marketing their artwork in the United States. Due to this work many Christian families maintain their livelihood and their ancestral homes in the land of our Lord.

Your purchase will make a difference in the lives of many Christian families. We gladly accept cash, checks, and all major credit cards. Please note that we do not ask for, nor do we accept, any donations. Please visit our display at your parish after each Mass on Saturday, Dec. 14 & Sunday, Dec. 15. Thank you in advance for your purchase when we come to visit. Jeryes Qumsey and the members of Blest Art Inc.

Christian Women's Circle of St. Therese – Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 9th at 9:00 am. We will also have an evening meeting on Wed., December 11th at 6:30 pm.

Fr. Campbell is nominating Robert Beales and Jim Lauzon to serve again as Trustees of the Parish. If anyone wishes to nominate another person for Trustee please contact the Parish Office.

**Please note:** St. Therese Congregation will NOT automatically prepare contribution receipts for tax purposes for 2019. If you wish to have a written receipt, please contact the Parish Office before the end of the year, to request one be prepared for you.

Parish Talanhanas Parish Office

262 604 4605

# MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, December 9

8:00 AM † Irene McGivern (CWC)

Tuesday, December 10

8:00 AM † Lawrence Beales

Wednesday, December 11

5:45 PM † John Stancato Jr. (Vincent & Lucille

Mancuso)

Thursday, December 12

8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, December 13

8:00 AM † Eileen Johnson (Kathleen Norris)

Saturday, December 14

4:00 PM † Pat Roach (Jim Roach)

† Louis Valetti (Teresa Valetti)

† Eileen Johnson (Friend)

Sunday, December 15

8:30 AM † John Ruggiero (Theresa Ruggiero)

† Mary Marasa (Chic Marasa)

† Regina & Joseph Pumpera (Theresa Ruggiero)

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

# Readings for the Week of December 8, 2019

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/

Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph

1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/

Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt

11:28-30

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17

[cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-

19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/ Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 [Is

35:4]/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

### Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 2:45 pm Closed Friday

Please submit bulletin announcements in writing to the Parish Office or e-mail to valang@tds.net by 9:00 AM Thursday of the week before publication.

PRIVACY LAWS: Please notify the Parish Office if you or a family member is in the hospital, nursing home, hospice, etc. With the new privacy laws, medical institutions will not call unless you ask them to notify the Parish. If you would like a home visit, please call the Parish Office or Homebound Ministry.

## **Parish Directory**

Weekend Masses Saturday Evening 4:00 PM

Sunday Morning 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday & Friday 8:00 AM

Wednesday 5:45 PM No 8:00 AM Mass on Thursday or Saturday

Holy Day Masses Please consult Sunday bulletin.
Confessions Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 PM

sions Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 PM Sunday 8:00 to 8:15, 10:00 to 10:15 AM

First Fridays Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 AM Friday to

6:00 AM Saturday

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions (Follow the Wednesday 5:45 PM Mass)

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	,	Fax	262-694-7284	
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	Liturgical Musician	Jan Sleyster	262-331-4734	
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Shared Associate Pastor	Rev. Fr. Robert T. McDermott
Rel. Ed. Coor	Beth Sturino
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#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Robert Beales, Trustee Treasurer
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Paul Gillespie. Chairman
Rristen Kelly
Ray Irving
Patricia Soens

Claudia Volpentesta, Vice-Chairman

Rita Van Guyse, Secretary

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Adults or children interested in baptism, reception into the Catholic Church, Confirmation and/or First Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

**Baptism** Please call the Parish Office to arrange for Baptism. Those who wish to have a child baptized must be attending Sunday Mass regularly for at least four months.

**Marriage** Please call the Pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements. Couples who are sharing the same abode will be asked to live separately prior to their marriage.

**Home Visitation** Anyone unable to attend Mass because of sickness/old age, contact the Parish Office.

**Estate Planning** Please keep St. Therese in mind when planning your estate. This is a wonderful gift that will last many years.