

# THE BULLETIN



St. Therese  
OF LISIEUX

December 17, 2023  
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DISCIPLES  
UNLEASHED

#CONNECTINGPOINT

**What in my life needs  
to be re-tested?**

## MUSINGS + MESSAGES

👤 Msgr. John Kasza, Moderator ✉ [frjohn@stol.church](mailto:frjohn@stol.church)

The first paragraph of today's first reading from Isaiah is often heard at the Chrism Mass on Holy Thursday. It is connected to the Gospel reading which highlights the unique role of John the Baptizer as the precursor of the Lord. We hear, once again, John's mission as "the voice of one crying out in the desert." John was sent to bring glad

tidings to the poor and to announce a year of favor from the Lord. But, we also celebrate another theme this day, that of "joy." The readings and responsorial psalm all speak of rejoicing. The reason for our rejoicing is because our salvation is at hand. We can sing with Mary, in the responsorial psalm, that the Almighty has done

great things for us because he has remembered his promise of mercy. The great Magnificat is not just the song of Mary; it is our song. We are reminded of God's blessings and promises to us and how God loves those who are his own. Moreover, we are called to be joy-filled because we recognize God's presence in the world around us.

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# Connecting Point

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## ► What in my life needs to be re-tested?

This third Sunday of Advent is termed Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete means “rejoice” in Latin. It is only fitting that our second reading today, Paul’s letter to the Thessalonians, begins, “Rejoice always! Pray without ceasing!” (1 Thess. 5:16). This week in Mass, we will see rose vestments and the third, rose, candle on the wreath will be lit. Why rose for the third candle? We use this color to indicate a joyful feast day or holiday. This Sunday is all about joy!

Being joyful and counting one’s blessings is what it is all about. But sometimes, we have things in our lives that challenge us. We may have a family member or friend that we have disagreed with. Maybe there are financial woes in the family, or maybe it’s the heartache of missing a loved one over the holidays. We all have them, and these challenges can really test us. But we can’t give up; we need to look at the situation and revisit it or re-test it.

This past Easter Vigil, I celebrated the tenth anniversary of my Baptism. The last ten years have been an amazing, blessed, and humbling journey. From receiving the Sacraments to meeting my wife, being called to Diaconate formation, and being blessed with

my boy, Noah, I wouldn’t change a thing except one. I remember when I told some of my family and friends that I was going to become Catholic, it caused quite a stir. There were many uncomfortable conversations, and it caused some arguments. A few of my friends even started to distance themselves from me. This time of year always makes me reflect on some of those relationships that have diminished, and in prayer, I ask the Lord if they should be re-tested. I guess my point is that we all have that “something” that we need to sit back and ask the Lord, “Should this be re-tested?”

No matter how we resolve our challenges, it is important to remember that our joy in Christ can remain regardless of them because we know that God is in control of our circumstances. Therefore, we can “rejoice always” and “in all circumstances give thanks” because we have hope in God. On this Gaudete (“Rejoice!”) Sunday, reflect on what you are thankful for. This week, try writing down the things in your life that cause you to rejoice. Then, thank God for those blessings.



# CALENDAR

DECEMBER 17 - 24

SUN

# 17

9 AM OFFICE HOURS

8 AM MASS

9:45 AM MASS/LITTLE LAMBS/CHILDREN'S CHURCH

10:45 AM OCIA

11:45 AM MASS/LITTLE LAMBS/CHILDREN'S CHURCH

1 PM BAPTISM

1:30 PM SENIOR CARD GROUP

MON

# 18

9:30 AM STRETCH AND STRENGTH

10 AM FUNERAL - GALICK

2 PM ROSARY

5 PM MISSION: GRADES 7-8

6:30 PM MISSION: GRADES 7-8

TUE

# 19

7 AM AA MEETING

8:30 AM MASS

12 PM SVDP CHRISTMAS DISTRIBUTION

5 PM MISSION: GRADES 7-8

6:30 PM MISSION: GRADES 7-8

WED

# 20

8:30 AM MASS

9:30 AM STRETCH & STRENGTH

10 AM LITTLE WAY ROSARY MAKERS

4 PM KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS COMPETITION JUDGING

5:30 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL

6:30 PM CATECHISM IN A YEAR DISCUSSION GROUP

THU

# 21

7 AM AA MEETING

8:30 AM MASS

9 AM EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

1 PM STAFF MTG

3 PM CONFESSIONS

6 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL

7 PM CATHOLIC BIBLE SCHOOL OF MICHIGAN

FRI

# 22

OFFICE CLOSED

8:30 AM MASS

9:30 AM STRETCH AND STRENGTH

SAT

# 23

3 PM OFFICE HOURS

4:30 PM MASS

SUN

# 24

9:45 AM MASS

4 PM MASS

9 PM MASS

11:30 PM CAROLS AND MIDNIGHT MASS



# EVENTS



**MON, DEC 18 AT 7 PM | ST. ISIDORE**

## ADVENT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Step into the Advent season with our Family of Parishes' Eucharistic Adoration event as a part of the archdiocese's I AM HERE campaign. Grow in love with Jesus who makes his dwelling among us, as we

prepare to celebrate Christmas. Adoration will be offered on Monday, Dec. 18. This Advent, let's come together for moments of quiet contemplation and shared joy.

**4th Sunday  
of Advent**  
*December 23/24 Schedule*

**4:30 PM SATURDAY**  
**9:45 AM SUNDAY**  
*(No other Sunday Masses  
due to Christmas Eve)*




St. Therese  
OF LISIEUX

**CHRISTMAS  
SCHEDULE**

**Christmas Eve**  
**4:00 PM • 9:00 PM • MIDNIGHT**  
These Masses are preceded  
by music for the season  
with choir and musicians  
at 3:30 PM, 8:30 PM, & 11:30 PM.

**Christmas Day**  
**9:45 AM • 11:45 AM**  
These Masses are preceded  
by music for the season  
with choir and musicians  
at 9:15AM & 11:15AM.



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OF LISIEUX



SUN | DEC 31 | 7 PM

## NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Join us for an unforgettable New Year's Eve celebration with our Family of Parishes! Get ready to dance the night away to the sensational tunes of The Sylvester Cats, indulge in delectable appetizers crafted by Chef Robert from Dorsey, and enjoy the

festivities with our open bar! Bring your friends and family for a night of joy, laughter, and fantastic memories as we welcome the New Year together! Tickets are \$80/person or \$150/couple. Purchase online by scanning the QR code.

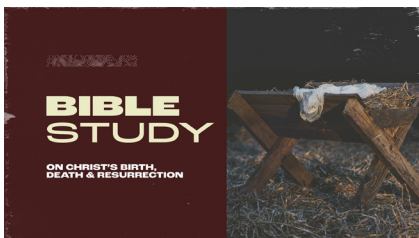


SAT | JAN 6 | 9 AM - 9 PM | AUSTIN ACADEMY

## SCRAPBOOK CROP & VENDOR

6th Annual Scrapbook Crop & Vendor Expo... 9am to 9pm Full day of crafting and cropping includes table and electrical, breakfast, lunch, dinner, dessert and drinks. Raffles, bake sale, and vendors for

everyone. Registration \$60 per person. Registration via email to austincatholiccrop.2020@gmail.com.



BEGINNING TUES | JAN 16 | 9:30 AM

## BIBLE STUDY

Join us at 9:30 AM, on Tuesday mornings for this 9-week study. Dr. Brant Pitre provides biblical and historical evidence for Christ's birth,

death, and resurrection. A great study as we enter into the season of Lent. \$10 to register. Questions: Peggy- 586-254-2944 X308



THU | JAN 18 | 9 AM

## BOOK CLUB

Come join us to discuss *Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng. We'll gather at 9 AM on Thursday, Jan. 18, 2024, to discuss the themes and

values represented in the book and their implications for Christians. New members are always welcome!



TUE | JAN 23 | 7 PM

## HOCKEY NIGHT IN THE D

Join us for a hockey night in Detroit to cheer on the Detroit Red Wings as they battle the Dallas Stars at Little Caesar's Arena. Tickets are

\$45 each and can be reserved in the parish office. These make great gifts for Christmas!

## ► Musings + Messages (cont'd)

This week, in the midst of last-minute preparations for the upcoming holiday, take some time to reflect upon what truly gives you joy. Who are the people that enliven your heart? What experiences bring a smile to your face? What has caused you to give thanks?

Remember that next week is a short 4th week of Advent (less than 24 hours). We will have Mass on Saturday at 4:30 PM and Sunday at 9:45 AM, which are for the 4th Sunday of Advent. Christmas Eve Masses are at 4 PM, 9 PM, and 12 midnight on December 24th.

Christmas Day Masses are at 9:45 and 11:45 AM. All of the Christmas liturgies will be preceded by a musical prelude one half hour (30 minutes) prior to Mass time. Please arrive early to experience the musical talent of our choir and musicians.

## ► Christmas Flowers In Memory of Loved Ones

Family Ministry | 👤 Chris Piebiak, Director ✉ [chrisp@stol.church](mailto:chrisp@stol.church)

This year, we are accepting a \$20 donation for flowers in memory of a loved one to decorate the Church during the Christmas season. This is a beautiful opportunity to remember our dearly departed or give someone special recognition. The Mass for the Solemnity of Mary on December 31 will be offered for the intentions of all those remembered and memorialized. Complete the form below and

submit it to the Parish Office with your donation by Friday, Dec. 22. All names will appear in the Epiphany Sunday bulletin on the weekend of Jan. 7. If you contributed to the Christmas flower collection with the envelopes in your offertory pack and forgot to fill out the "In Memory of" part, stop in the office and let us know who you want to be honored or memorialized.



*Please print clearly as the memorial name will be in the bulletin.*

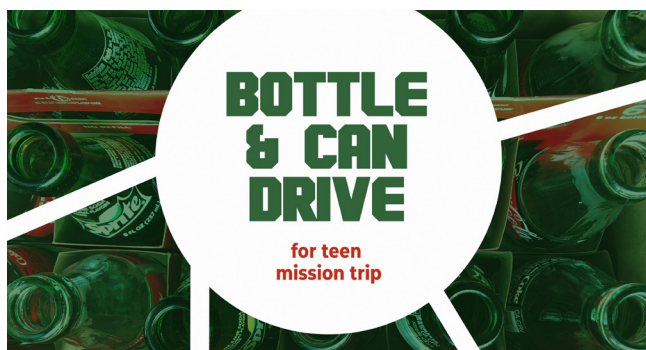
Donor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Env. # \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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Get all the bottles and cans out of your house before Christmas! St. Therese will be hosting a bottle and can return drive starting Saturday, Dec. 9 through Sunday, Dec. 17.

During the week, bottles and cans can be left outside, near the front doors. At the weekend Masses we will have teens on-site to help get them out of your car. All proceeds will help our teens attend a mission trip in Midland in July, 2024.

## ▶ St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Food



*Let us do without hesitation whatever lies in our hands.*

Blessed Frederick Ozanam

We thank you for all of the donations you've made and continue to make to SVdP. If you have donations yet to turn in for the Christmas distribution, please have them to the church by Sunday, December 17. May you and yours have a very blessed Christmas Season. God Bless.



## ***Advent and The New Evangelization***

We have all been challenged to pass on and proclaim the message of our Lord. In these troubled times, it is the job of all of us to bring about an attitude of peace, hope, love and joy, which Christ has for us. It's easy to complain, but peace and love begins with all of us. Evangelizing may be new for some, but it is the responsibility of **all** of us to pass on the Good News. Here are a few beginning steps you can take...

- Pray for people using their name
- Invite someone to come to church with you (you might wish to top it off with breakfast afterwards)
- Be bold and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you
- Meet and greet others where they are in life by listening to them
- Share your story
- Teach something to someone about our Catholic Faith
- Ask for guidance often - it's okay to stumble and not know an answer. Let the other party know that you will research the question and get back to them with the answer
- The more you take part in Evangelizing, the easier it will become... you can't become a concert pianist overnight!

## ► Walking the Path

Discipleship Formation | 👤 Peggy Casing, D.F. Director 📧 [peggyc@stol.church](mailto:peggyc@stol.church)

Last week, I mentioned that we don't actually know the date of Jesus' birth. As I'm sure you know, that isn't all that unusual in the ancient world, where recordkeeping existed but not to the same level we have today. I know that not knowing the actual date can feel a bit disheartening to us, given Jesus' importance in the history of the world, and ultimately, eternal life. Yet it is what it is. As such, this gap in knowledge of Jesus' background has caused a great deal of research, and several theories have come to the fore. Let's take a look at several of them.

First, as I said last week, many scholars have asserted that, in the earliest days of the Church, existing pagan holidays were changed to assert facts about Jesus, and the One, True God. In particular, the Roman Empire's practice of celebrating the rebirth of the Unconquered Sun (Sol Invictus) on December 25th. -A holiday that not only marked the return of longer days after the winter solstice, but also followed another popular Roman festival called the Saturnalia (during which people feasted and exchanged gifts). Another group of big concern to the early evangelists were the Mithraisms whose deity was said to be born on December 25th. The thought is, that disrupting pagan traditions was proving to be very difficult, so the evangelists chose

to transform the pagan holidays in ways that made their theology appropriate. By using the existing symbols, but transforming the prayers and messages so they would reflect true theology, the evangelists wouldn't have to fight the "we have always celebrated at this time of year" type of argument, and still be able to teach the truth of Jesus.

Other scholars balk at that idea. They believe the real reason for the selection of December 25, is because it is exactly nine months after March 25, the traditional date of Jesus' crucifixion. What? Why would those two days be related? It was because a theological concept had developed, in the early days of the Church, that Jesus was conceived and crucified on the same date, so they set the date of his birth nine months later." Other scholars believe the actual date was in the early spring, placing it closer to Easter, the holiday commemorating his Resurrection. For example, the Roman Christian historian, Sextus Julius Africanus, dated Jesus' conception to March 25 (the same date upon which he held that the world was created), which, after nine months in his mother's womb, would result in a December 25 birth.

Whew! Whatever the reason, the Church arrived at a celebration date of December 25th, and that

date hasn't been the same since! This "adopted" date gives us an opportunity to celebrate the fact that God chose to enter the world through a profound gift of love and relationship with us. Taking on humanity at its fullest, while not diminishing his divinity, the Son of God, the third person of the Trinity, was born to walk among us and eventually take our sins to the cross, suffering and dying for our sins. He is a gift like no other, regardless of the date given.





# ► Managing Anxiety & Stress During the Holidays

Health Ministry | 👤 Marilyn Cito, Parish Nurse ✉ marilync@stol.church

Even though the holiday season brings joy and happiness to many, there are others where the holiday season causes grief, anxiety, depression, and stress. Some of the anxiety people might experience could be due to the loss of a loved one, loneliness, unhappiness, or just “the season.” The holiday season is especially hard for people with chronic anxiety or depression. According to the National Institute of Mental Health, 40 million adults (18% of the population) struggle with anxiety. About half of the people with depression also experience anxiety. Thankfully, there are a number of treatment options including therapy and medications which can help relieve anxiety. Yet, only about a third of people seek treatment.

Stress caused by the holidays on the other hand can affect people who are already dealing with depression or anxiety, and people who are not, but are just overwhelmed with all of the activities of the holidays. Some people pride themselves on being “super - moms or dads” and want every holiday detail perfect. But the reality is, this is just not possible with all of the things going on in the world today.

When people experience stress, people’s daily lives are often impacted with changes such as your health or the health of your loved ones, difficulty or changes in your sleeping and eating, difficulty concentrating, worsening of chronic medical conditions, or increased use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs.

Although everyone has their own set of coping skills on how to manage difficult situations, here are some suggestions that might make the holiday season more enjoyable and less stressful for you and your loved ones:

- Take care of your body. Exercise, sleep, eat healthy, and limit alcohol and caffeine. Physical activity will help ease anxiety.
- Pay attention to your breathing. If you are breathing quickly, slow it down. Practice breathing exercises by taking long breaths through your nose, holding it for the count of three, and exhaling slowly.
- Take notice of your surroundings. Take breaks from watching, reading or listening to the news, including social media. Changes to your environment can help reduce anxiety.
- Take care of your soul. Pray.
- Listen to music. Listening to music can lower blood pressure and heart rate.
- Take care of your mind. Learn to meditate and practice mindfulness.
- Take care of your emotional self. Make time to unwind. Relax.
- Try and find some laughter in your life. Laughing increases oxygen levels and helps muscles relax.
- Connect with others and talk about your fears and concerns. Talking to someone can offer a new perspective on how you feel. If you feel you cannot talk with a friend or relative, consider reaching out to a priest, counsellor, or healthcare

provider.

- Find an activity or hobby that takes your mind off yourself.
- Consider starting a gratitude journal which will help reduce negative thoughts and help you remember the good things in your life.
- Practice self-care. Try and relax and do something that makes you feel good.
- If you or someone you care about are feeling overwhelmed, sad, depressed, and are having difficulty coping, or feel like harming themselves or others:
  - Call 911
  - Call the Macomb County Community Mental Health Crisis Line call 586-307-9100, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

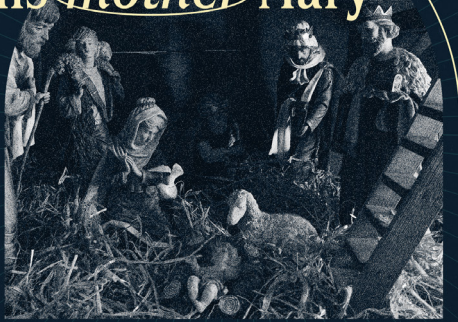
On January 4, 2024, from **12:30 PM-1:30 PM (NEW TIME)** St. Therese of Lisieux will host Dr. Agnes Ward from Macomb Mental Health to speak on anxiety, depression and suicide. Even if you are not personally experiencing any of these symptoms, I am sure you know someone who is. Please join us for an informative lecture!

Please RSVP to the Parish Secretary at 586-254-4433 or Marilyn Cito, Parish Nurse, at 586-254-4433 Ext #320, or via email at Marilync@stol.church. A light lunch will be served.

#### References:

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They saw  
the child with  
his *mother* Mary



ON COMING TO THE HOUSE, THEY SAW  
THE CHILD WITH HIS MOTHER MARY,  
AND THEY BOWED DOWN AND WORSHIPED  
HIM. THEN THEY OPENED THEIR  
TREASURES AND PRESENTED HIM WITH  
GIFTS OF GOLD, FRANKINCENSE AND  
MYRRH

MATTHEW  
2:11 NIV

# Ministry Schedule

**SAT | DECEMBER 23**  
**4:30 PM**

Lector 1: Volunteer Needed

Lector 2: Volunteer Needed

Altar Servers: Volunteer Needed

Usher Team 4: Tomaz Dopico

**SUN | DECEMBER 24**  
**9:45 AM**

Lector 1: Carol Nehra

Lector 2: Kym Lemanski

Altar Servers: Colton D., Phil D.

Usher Team 5: Dennis Westerlund

## ► We pray for the sick...

*Asterisk denotes newly added name.*

Adhikary, Erica	Goodman, Debbie	McPhail, Joanne	Snodgrass, Doris
Adhikary, Holden	Gorka, Ruth	Mackowiak, Elaine	Spencer, Jeanne
Andree, Joanne	*Guzzardo, Mary	Mahler, Bill	Sterling, Carol
Baby Scarlett	Henig, Louise	*Mohan, Joyce	Sterling, George
Barfield, Cheri	Hill, Dan	Mooney-Hill, Marilyn	*Stout, Mark
Beaulieu, Michael	Hill, Sandy	Moreno, Nancy	Swanson, Joan
Beaulieu, Ted	Hunstad, Alex	Morrison (Mikoy) Vanessa	Tanghe, Diane
Beaulieu, Don	Jachcik, Bradley	Novak, Anthony	*Tarpey-Stevens
Belkowski, Patricia	Jachcik, James	Okon, Mary Anne	Theresa Marie
Beninati, Patricia	Jachcik, Nancy	Oleszkowicz, Bonnie	Tiedt, Tom
Best, Ann	Jachcik, Shirley	Overholfer, Jamie	Tralka, Jane
Binkowski, Madeleine	Kaja, Hala	Pasque, Evelyn	*Trotto, Patricia
Brady, Jim	Kenworthy, Ken	Patterson, David	VanDerhagen, Barbara
Bufaline, Andrew	*Klakulak, Mary	Patzer, Ed	VanDerhagen, Rich
Butera, Raimondo	Kmiec, Eileen	Pazin, Delphine	VanDerhagen, Rick
Conniff, Shirley	*Konczal, Scott	Pelc, Jeff	Victor, Fr. Ron
Czarnowczan, Dorothy	Kremer, Paul	Poma, Teresa	Walter, Albert
DeFauw, Paul	*Kurzatkowski, Cindy	R. Lisa	White, Dawn
*DeMara, Adam	Lalama, Michael	*Rafferty, Shirley	White, Johnny
Denton, Eden	*Lemanski, Kym	Ritter, Maryann	Wigginton, Jim
*Fain, RoseMarie	Liberatore, Bianca	Sandstrom, Patricia	Zuzga, Bob
Fisher, Rick	Lieder, Lynn	Schafran, Barb	
Fuelling, Ethan	*Losinski, Hank	Shumaker, Natalie	
*Gallick, Arlene	McGuire, Kim	Silvio, Reba	

## ► and those serving in the military

SrA Thomas Barone, Air Force	PVT Jacob Earehart, Army	Derek Skorupski, Army
2nd Lt., Michaela Biske Army	Ensign Matthew Gordon, Navy	CPL. Nathan Taylor, Marine
PVT Jonathan Bulter, Marine	LT David Grzywacz, Navy	CPT Keith Trojniak, Marines
HMI Christopher Burley, Navy	Andrew Hall, Navy	Dante Vanuck, Army
SGT Andrew Chapoton, Army	PFC Killian Hannon, Army	SFC Cally Wood, Army
Michael Chmielewski, Navy	CPT. Megan K. Hardesty, Army	SFC Olivia Wood, Army
Christopher Chryczyk, Navy	Robert Kaljved, Army	Andrew Zalewski, Navy
Lt. Col. John Cisco, Marines	LT. COL. Chris Kean, AF	
Major Anthony D. Corsi, Army	*SSGT Griffin Kozak, Marines	
Leonard Cox, Army	Andrew Larsen, Marines	
Ranger Nic Cucchiara, Army	Zoe Lowe, Army	
SGT Christian Jose Curtis, Army	MSGT Eric McCulley, AF	
LCPL Matthew DeLaney, Marine	Captain James Miller, Space Force	
Jerry Delia, Airforce	Nick Radwick, AF	
PVT David Dimattia, Army	Staff Sgt. Drew Reynolds, AF	

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Give us peace. Amen



## ► Mass Intentions

### SAT. DEC 16 4:30 PM

† Alexander A. Kujawski, Sr. (Bday)  
 † Harry Glogowski (Bday)  
 † Leonardo Vonella  
 † Joe Basirico  
 † Alfred Saam  
 † Joseph & Nina Salomone  
 † Vincent & Leonard Grammatico  
 † Deceased Members of the Dolsen & Patalon Families  
 † Donald Zloty

### SUN. DEC 17 8:00 AM

† Jack Kuptz 2nd (Anniv.)  
 † Joseph Nguyen  
 Jennifer Bliss  
 † Paul Ellis  
 Matthew & Christina Daniel  
 † Maria Colasanti (2nd anniv.)  
 † Deceased Members of the Quinn Family  
 † Deceased Members of the Partyka Family  
 † Wanda Bobola (34th anniv.)  
 † Paul & Mary Jane Grivas

### SUN. DEC 17 9:45 AM

† George & Peggy Ciolli  
 † Benedetta Vettraino  
 † George Reynolds (10th anniv.)  
 † Zaccaria Gasperoni  
 † Rosina Berardo  
 † Werner Wodtke  
 † Maria Nguyen  
 † Simon Vo

### SUN. DEC 17 11:45 AM

† Mary Jo Marchione  
 † John & Theresa Berd  
 † Dennis Berd  
 † Vicky Berd  
 † John & Ann Rein  
 † Carolyn Gambino

† Larry Kelly

† Giorgo Calabrese

### TUES. DEC 19 8:30 AM

Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life  
 † Rose Mary Williamson  
 † Alfred Saam  
 † Eufemia Casem

### WED. DEC 20 8:30 AM

† Ralph Williamson  
 † Matt Palazzolo (24th anniv.)  
 † Fr. Paul Reid  
 † Dennis Macciomei (Bday)  
 † Joseph Mansour  
 Jenny Guadiana

### THU. DEC 21 8:30 AM

† Blanche O'Parka (62nd anniv.)  
 † Scot Piebiak (Bday)

### FRI. DEC 22 8:30 AM

† Frances MacLean (3rd anniv.)  
 † Judy Brusate  
 † Betty Jean Forte  
 Scott Bain  
 Maria Buscemi

### SAT. DEC 23 4:30 PM

† Deceased Frankowski Family  
 † Joe Basirico  
 † Deacon Jerry Campernel  
 † Neal Madsen (Bday)  
 † Anthony Laskey  
 † Mario Baldinelli  
 † Delita Baldinelli  
 † David Baldinelli

### SUN. DEC 24 9:45 AM

† John & Pauline Poma  
 † Dave Sabol  
 † Donald & Patricia McNamara  
 † Gaspare Lombardo  
 † Tom & Cindy McNamara  
 † Eufemia Casem

† Sheila Kroll

† Sara Bujold

† Rita Saigh

† Peter Ly

### SUN. DEC 24 4:00 PM

Al Saam, Pat Denton, Eva & Joseph Pinchero, Joe & Diane Pinchero, Joey  
 † Gaspare Lombardo  
 † Dave Kuptz  
 † Ted Pode  
 † Maria Cusumano  
 † Deceased Members of the Roll & Boik Family  
 † Antonio G. Vittorini  
 † Joseph & Mamie Abbruzzese  
 † Carol Minaudo  
 † Deceased Members of the Hartigan & Dluge Families  
 † David Dalmer

### SUN. DEC 24 9:00 PM

† Paul and Kay Shindak  
 † Joyce Gee  
 † Edward Bahri  
 † Anthony & Maria DiCicco  
 † Deceased Members of the Macciomei Family  
 † Deceased Members of the Guerriera Family  
 † Arthur & Justina Deshaies & Family  
 † Tony & Rella Dziwak  
 † Mary Costanzo, Frank Gatto, Mario Gatto  
 † Deceased Members of the Hartigan & Dluge Families  
 † Andrew & Stella Sadlowski

### SUN. DEC 24 12:00 aM

For the Living Members of St. Therese Parish  
 † For the Deceased Members of St. Therese Parish  
 † For the Deceased Deacons and Priests of the AOD

## Readings

### SUNDAY

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11;  
 Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54;  
 1 Thes 5:16-24;  
 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

### MONDAY

Jer 23:5-8;  
 Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;  
 Mt 1:18-25

### TUESDAY

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a;  
 Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17;  
 Lk 1:5-25

### WEDNESDAY

Is 7:10-14;  
 Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6;  
 Lk 1:26-38

### THURSDAY

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a;  
 Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21;  
 Lk 1:39-45

### FRIDAY

1 Sm 1:24-28;  
 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd;  
 Lk 1:46-56

### SATURDAY

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24;  
 Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10 and 14;  
 Lk 1:57-66

### SUNDAY

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16;  
 Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29;  
 Rom 16:25-27;  
 Lk 1:26-38

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