

THE BULLETIN



St. Therese
OF LISIEUX

January 26, 2025
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Acknowledge the

EFFORTS & TALENTS

of others this week.



#CONNECTINGPOINT

Connecting Point

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My family and I have been involved in the life of a Catholic parish for as long as I can remember. I have an aunt who was an Adrian Dominican sister. My Dad was a lector, catechist, extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, and more. My brother and I were members of the choir, and on and on. I write this only to say that I know there are roles in parish life where

the spotlight beams upon those who volunteer while others' sweat and tears are met with silence or a once-per-year volunteer appreciation dinner—if you are lucky. The same is true in many facets of life, as I'm sure you know.

Following last week's readings that focused on our "gifts," this week's second reading emphasizes the

profound reality that we, as baptized Christians, are part of Christ's body and united as one: "As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ" (1 Cor 12:12). Christ is our head, and we are the hands, legs, shoulders, and more — in the world today. If you were at a Mass that featured the longer version of

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CONNECTING POINT (cont'd)

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this reading, you also heard that “the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are all the more necessary” and “God has so constructed the body as to give greater honor to a part that is without it, so that there may be no division in the body...If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy” (v 24, 26). God’s plan is for all to be valued, cared for, and appreciated, especially those within the body of Christ.

Think about all those who are involved in providing liturgies and programs within our faith communities. Whether paid staff or volunteers, recognize those who provide us with clean bathrooms, functioning heating and cooling systems, attractive bulletins, and clean floors, as well as those who lead us in prayer, teach us about the faith, sing, play instruments, pay the bills, and more! It takes effort

from all of us, working together, to bring about all of the good that we accomplish. Moreover, just as Jesus proclaimed in today’s gospel, his mission was/is about bringing “glad tidings” to those on the margins. We, too, as members of his body, are called to bring affirmation and positivity to those around us. Our “good news,” like Jesus’, is about salvation through Christ, but it is also about building up and affirming each other so we can continue to spread the joy of the gospel.

This week, our challenge is to acknowledge the efforts and talents of others, whether inside or outside the body. By affirming others, we’ll be building up God’s kingdom here on earth, drawing others to Christ by our example. Try it out! May your kind words be contagious, and may your warm smiles serve as a boost to weary souls.



CALENDAR

JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 2

SUN **26**

9 AM OFFICE HOURS
 8 AM **MASS**
 9:45 AM **MASS / CHILDREN'S CHURCH**
 10:45 AM **BECOMING CATHOLIC**
 11 AM **MISSION YEAR 2 WORKSHOP**
 11:45 AM **MASS / CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

MON **27**

9:30 AM **STRETCH & STRENGTH**
 2 PM **ROSARY**
 6 PM **K OF C DISTRICT MTG**

TUE **28**

7 AM **AA MEETING**
 8:30 AM **MASS**
 9:30 AM **BIBLE STUDY: SALVATION (MORNING)**
 1 PM **GRIEF SUPPORT**
 7 PM **PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MTG**

WED **29**

8:30 AM **MASS**
 9:30 AM **STRETCH & STRENGTH**
 1 PM **AGEWAYS BALANCE WORKSHOP**
 5:30 PM **CHOIR REHEARSALS**

THU **30**

7 AM **AA MEETING**
 8:30 AM **MASS**
 9 AM **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**
 3 PM **CONFESSIONS**
 6:30 PM **BIBLE STUDY: SALVATION (EVENING)**
 7 PM **CBS OF MICHIGAN**

FRI **31**

OFFICE CLOSED
 8:30 AM **MASS**
 9:30 AM **STRETCH & STRENGTH**

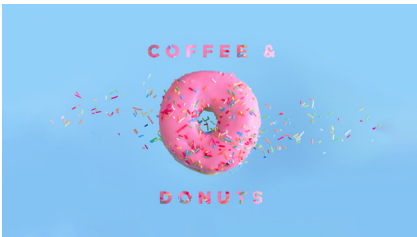
SAT **1**

3 PM OFFICE HOURS
 4:30 PM **MASS**

SUN **2**

9 AM OFFICE HOURS
 8 AM **MASS**
 9:45 AM **MASS / LITTLE LAMBS/ CHILDREN'S CHURCH**
 11:45 AM **MASS / LITTLE LAMBS / CHILDREN'S CHURCH**
 1 PM **BAPTISM**
 5:30 PM **FOP LAY LEADERS MTG (AT ST. ISIDORE)**

EVENTS

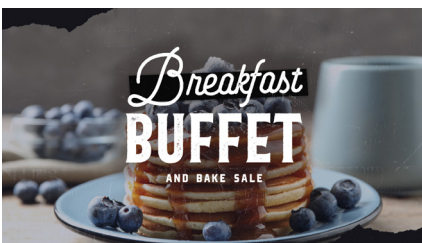


SUN | JAN 26 | AFTER ALL MASSES

K OF C COFFEE AND DONUTS

Join the Knights of Columbus for the next Coffee and Donuts in the Gathering Space after all Masses. Fill up your cup spiritually at Mass, and then see the Knights for your fill

of coffee, donuts, and fruit. You are invited to linger awhile as you visit with your fellow parishioners. We hope to see you then.



SUN | FEB 2 | AFTER 8 & 9:45 AM MASSES

K OF C BREAKFAST BUFFET & BAKE SALE

Join us for one of the best breakfasts around with pancakes, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, Texas-fried toast, biscuits with gravy, and hash browns. Free-will donations are appreciated. There will also be 50/50 raffle tickets to purchase. On your way out, stop by our bake sale

table in the Gathering Space to pick up some pastries to enjoy at home. Baked good donations would also be appreciated. They can be dropped off in the kitchen after the Saturday, February 1, 4:30 PM Mass or on the Gathering Space tables on Sunday morning.



THU | FEB 6 | BEGINS 8:30 AM

ADORATION, PRAISE, AND WORSHIP

Adoration is a time when we come to be with Jesus in prayer and praise; all are welcome, regardless of age. On the first Thursday of each month, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed following 8:30 AM Mass and

remain exposed for Adoration until 7:30 PM. Additionally, dinner and fellowship will be available from 5 to 6:30 PM in the Divine Mercy Room, and music, praise, and worship will be from 6:30 to 7:30 PM.



THU | FEB 6 | 12 - 1 PM

STROKE PRESENTATION

Immediately after the Rambling Roses meeting, St. Therese will host a presentation on strokes by Daniel Morganroth, N.P., Stroke Coordinator from Henry Ford Warren Hospital. Daniel will educate attendees on the

causes, symptoms, and treatments of strokes. Since a light lunch will be provided, **RSVP to the parish office** at 586-254-4433 or Marilyn Cito, parish nurse, at 586-254-4433 Ext. 320 or Marilync@stol.church.



SAT | FEB 8 | 5:30 PM DOORS OPEN - 6 PM DINNER - 7 PM SHOW

CUPID'S COMEDY NIGHT

Come share a night of love and laughter with your sweetie! A bit of wine, dinner, some sweets, and a bellyaching evening of fun and laughter make for a perfect Valentine's date. Back by popular demand is comedian Shawn

Reynolds. **Tickets will sell out, so get yours online or in the parish office:** \$80 per couple or \$400 for a table of ten (all seats must be purchased at the same time).



FRI - SUN | FEB 21 - 23 | DEWITT, MI

RETREAT FOR MID-LIFE SINGLES

Mid-life singles (mid-30s to 50s): Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt, MI. Take

a chance and get involved; you won't regret it! The cost is \$230 for meals and a single room. Visit ReflectRetreat.com, email reflect.michigan@gmail.com, or call 586-770-1772 for details.



St. Therese
OF LISIEUX

Cupid's Comedy Night



WITH SHAWN REYNOLDS
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8
5:30 DOORS OPEN | 6:00 DINNER | 7:00 START



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of laughter with a hilarious
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wine, & desserts

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Dinner 6:00 PM
Show starts 7:00 PM



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OR CALL (586) 254-4433



► Thank you!

👤 Fr. Bill Gruden

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to sincerely thank you for your most generous expressions of Christmas wishes. The cards and gifts have overwhelmed me. I am so honored and privileged to serve St. Therese of Lisieux Parish. We have an incredible faith community. Together,

we will grow as the living Body of Christ.

Be assured that I will continue to pray for you, and I ask that you remember me in your prayers.

In Christ and Mary,
Fr. Bill Gruden

You Will Usually Find What You're Searching For

👤 Evangelization Committee

Have you heard some of these phrases recently?

- What's this world coming to?
- Times have really changed, and not for the better!
- I remember when...
- I stopped listening to the news; it's all horrible!
- It just isn't like it used to be.
- What's wrong with people?
- Something has to change...

Lately, it seems like these have become part of many conversations that we hear. Bad/sad news is so common that it has become "normal." Whatever is "normal," good or bad, is usually what we humans tend to seek. Yes, things may need to change, but it begins with you and me. Jesus is watching over us out there, but we need to make an effort to search for Him before we can find Him. Only then will we find the good that exists in

the world. Things can change, but it begins with us!

BElieve
THEre is
GOOD in
the world!

*Pope Francis reminds us that **"The primary mission of the Church is to evangelize."***



DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION

Children's Program

Our Confirmation Prep students, who are nearing the end of their journey, are taking time to "retreat" from their daily commitments to set time aside for prayer and faith growth. They are gathering with either a parent or a sponsor to dive deeper into what it means to commit to living out their lives with Jesus as their guide and focus. Please keep them in your prayers.

Adult Bible Study

We recently started a study of "Salvation," as it is understood in the Bible and in tradition. This study relies on the work of Dr. Michael Barber and uses a workbook and a DVD series. We meet on Tuesday mornings and/or Thursday evenings. Please know that you can still join us if you would like to. Just reach out to Peggy Casing for more details.

► Strokes

👤 Marilyn Cito ✉️ marilyn@stol.church

I'm sure everyone knows someone who has had a stroke. Strokes are the fifth leading cause of death in the U.S., killing more than 130,000 Americans each year. Someone in the U.S. has a stroke approximately every 40 seconds and dies every 4 minutes. About 795,000 people each year have a stroke in the U.S., and it is the leading cause of disability. Strokes cost the nation \$33 billion annually, including the cost of healthcare services and lost productivity.

Symptoms of a stroke include sudden numbness or weakness in the face, arm, or leg (usually affecting one side of the body), confusion, difficulty speaking or understanding, issues with vision in one or both eyes (e.g., blurred or double vision), slurred or garbled speech, loss of muscle control on one side of the face, trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination, or severe headache.

A stroke, also known as a brain attack, occurs when a blood vessel that carries oxygen and nutrients to the brain is either blocked or ruptured. *Ischemic strokes* account for 80% of strokes and occur when a clot blocks a vessel. Causes include atrial fibrillation (irregular heartbeat that puts the person at a five-times greater risk of stroke), a hole between the person's heart

chambers that usually closes before adulthood, blood clotting disorders, or a buildup of fats or cholesterol. A *hemorrhagic stroke* occurs when a weakened blood vessel ruptures. When either of these happens, part of the brain cannot get the blood (or oxygen) it needs, so brain cells die. That's why strokes are medical emergencies, and 911 should be called immediately!

The best treatments for strokes are available only if the stroke is recognized and diagnosed within **three hours** of the first symptoms. Stroke patients may not be eligible for these treatments if they don't arrive at the hospital in time. If you think someone is having a stroke, act **F.A.S.T.** and do the following test:

- **F—Face:** Ask the person to smile. Does one side of their face droop?
- **A—Arms:** Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?
- **S—Speech:** Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase. Is the speech slurred or strange?
- **T—Time:** If you see any of these signs, call 911 right away.

It is important to note and communicate to the healthcare provider the time when symptoms first appeared since this information will determine the best treatment.

Do not drive to the hospital or let someone else drive. Call 911 for an ambulance so that medical personnel can begin life-saving treatment *on the way* to the emergency room.

Sometimes, people experience a T.I.A. (*transient ischemic attack*) before having a stroke. These are “warning strokes” that can occur before a major stroke when blood flow through a brain artery is briefly blocked or reduced. A person who has a T.I.A. is 9.5 times more likely to have a stroke. T.I.A. symptoms are temporary but similar to those of a stroke. Even though this is not a stroke, a T.I.A. **is** a medical emergency.

On Thursday, Feb. 6, 2025, from 12 to 1 PM, immediately after the Rambling Roses meeting, St. Therese of Lisieux will host a presentation on strokes by Daniel Morganroth, N.P., Stroke Coordinator from Henry Ford Warren Hospital. Daniel will educate attendees on the causes, symptoms, and treatments of strokes. **Please RSVP** since a light lunch will be provided. Please contact the parish office at 586-254-4433 or Marilyn Cito, parish nurse, at 586-254-4433 Ext. 320, or via email at Marilync@stol.church.

References:

- <https://www.stroke.org>, American Stroke Organization
- <https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diseases/5601-stroke>

► New Parishioners, Baptisms & Weddings November/December

New Parishioners:

- Scott & Maureen
Counsell & Family
- Judith Impastato
- Raymond Karam
- Michael Powell
- Marvin Scott

Baptisms:

- Vincent Daniel Cooper
– Son of Nicholas &
Lauren Cooper
- Ivy Zara Stipes –
Daughter of Matt
Stipes & Katelynn King
- Jordan Christopher
Thomas – Son of
Thomas & Kristie
Thomas

Weddings:

- Cynthia Nelson &
Andrew Nichols –
Married December 14,
2024

Ministry Schedule

SAT | FEBRUARY 1 4:30 PM

Lector 1: Paul Bieber

Lector 2: SM Andrew Budinski

Altar Servers: Volunteer Needed

Usher Team 7: Art Wilson

SUN | FEBRUARY 2 8:00 AM

Lector 1: Larry Slabosz

Lector 2: Michelle Dziurgot

Altar Servers: Leo B., Sarah H., Colton D.

Usher Team 8: Dean Corsi

SUN | FEBRUARY 2 9:45 AM

Lector 1: Colin Ritter

Lector 2: Janis Fick

Altar Servers: Evan K.

Usher Team 5: Dennis Westerlund

SUN | FEBRUARY 2 11:45 AM

Lector 1: Kathryn Radmacher

Lector 2: James Snodgrass

Altar Servers: AnneMarie O.

Usher Team 6: Jack Simonetta

► We pray for the sick...

Asterisk denotes newly added name.

*Anzell, Alma	DeRemer, Colin	Neddermeyer, John	*Soham
Ayotte, Isaiah	Fain, Rose Marie	Nehra, Rebecca	Stanislawski, Kimberly
Baby Scarlett	Finkel, Ryder	O'Brien, Shawn	Sterling, Carol
*Baby Whitley	Fuelling, Ethan	Okon, Ann Marie	Sterling, George
Bacheldor, Mary	Greg	Okon, Mary Anne	Stewart-Reilly, Kim
Baldinelli, Marilyn	Guzzardo, Mary	Oleszkowicz, Bonnie	Stow, Monica
Bauman, Linda	Hervis, Olga	Ousley, Jacob	Suida, Richard
Beaugeois, Mary	Hill, Dan	Parent, Julie	Swiftney, Richard
Beaulieu, Michael	Hill, Sandy	Pasque, Evelyn	Szpotek, Donna
Beaulieu, Don	Hoos, Nona	Patterson, Dave	Tarpey, Nancy Lee
Beninati, Patricia	*Iacona, Vito	Patterson, Peggy	Theisen, Beth
Binkowski, Madeleine	Jachcik, Bradley	Pattison, Matt	Theisen, Jim
Blacker, Kathi	Jachcik, James	Pazin, Delphine	Theut, Bill
Bliss, Jennifer	Jachcik, Nancy	Pazin, Richard	Tiedt, Tom
Bourgeois, Mary	Kelley, Shirley	Petz, Christine	Trotto, Patricia
Brown, Debbie	Knee, Colleen	Poma, Teresa	VanDerHagen, Barbara
Brown, Joanne	Konczal, Norm	Procissi, Carole	VanDerHagen, Rich
Brown, Rachel	Kraemer, Barb	Przepiora, Donna Marie	VanDerHagen Rick
C. Patricia	Kremer, Paul	Ramirez, Tina	Vela, Yolanda
Camacci, Barbara	LaRose, Vincent	Ricardo, Tan	*Venditti, Paul
Cassidy, Barbara	Lemanski, Kym	Rinehart, Nicholas	Visconti, Dianne
Chilcutt, Patricia	McBride, Andrea	Robb, Ken	Vitale, Carlie
Ciavattone, Bruno	McCarthy, Rick	Roland, Debbie	White, Bri
Corless, Kaye	Mackowiak, Elaine	Roland, Melanie	White, Dawn
*Cucchiara, Sam	Malane, Sharon	RoseAnn	Wigginton, Jim
Dan	Maliskey, Barb	Saffo, Nazar	Wood, Jr. James
*Dawes, Scott	Maliskey, Larry	Samulski, Dolores	*Zapczynski, Ray
Denton, Eden	Markle, Susan	Schafran, Barb	Zimmerman, Toni
Derderian, Eloria	Matthews, Sue	Shock, Maureen	Zoellner, Brent
DeFauw, Paul	Matthews, Dave	Selesniak, Sharon	
DeGregory, Joseph	Moreno, Nancy	Sienkowski, Carol	
DeGroot, Christian	Mumma, Brad	Snodgrass, Doris	

► ...and for those serving in the military

Staff Sgt. Thomas Barone, Air Force
 2nd Lt., Michaela Biske Army
 PVT Jonathan Bulter, Marine
 HMC Christopher Burley, Navy
 SGT Andrew Chapoton, Army
 Michael Chmielewski, Navy
 Christopher Chryczyk, Navy
 Lt. Col. John Cisco, Marines
 Major Anthony D. Corsi, Army
 Leonard Cox, Army
 SGT Christian Jose Curtis, Army
 LCPL Matthew DeLaney, Marine
 Jerry Delia, Airforce
 PVT David Dimattia, Army
 PVT Jacob Earehart, Army

Lt. Colonel Suzana Gjekaj - Air Force
 Lt. Matthew Gordon, Navy
 LT David Grzywacz, Navy
 Andrew Hall, Navy
 PFC Killian Hannon, Army
 Major Megan K. Hardesty, Army
 PVT Logan Hoskins, Marines
 Robert Kaljved, Army
 LT. COL. Chris Kean, AF
 SSGT Griffin Kozak, Marines
 Andrew Larsen, Marines
 Zoe Lowe, Army
 MSGT Eric McCulley, AF
 Captain James Miller, Space Force
 Nick Radwick, AF

Staff Sgt. Drew Reynolds, AF
 Derek Skorupski, Army
 CPL. Nathan Taylor, Marine
 CPT Keith Trojniak, Marines
 Dante Vanuck, Army
 SFC Cally Wood, Army
 Andrew Zalewski, Navy

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. JAN. 25 4:30 PM

- † Leonard Nagorski (2nd Anniv.)
- † Joe Basirico, Maria Basirico-Fiorello
- † Rosalia Pacella
- † Joseph & Nina Salomone
- † Pat Denton
- † Alfred Saam
Todd Barr & Family
- † Henry Patalon (Bday)
- † Michael Dolsen (8th Anniv.)
- † Gerald Dolsen

SUN. JAN. 26 8:00 AM

- † Tom Westerlund
- † Dave Kuptz
- † Dave Tubolino
- † Patricia Burden
- † Elizabeth Geiger
Burden Family
White & Herbis Family
- † V. T. Thomas (38th Anniv.)

SUN. JAN. 26 9:45 AM

- † Carmine Russo
- † Carole Rakoczy
- † Donald Salazar
- † Alexander A. Kujawski, Sr. (5th Anniv.)
Liz Schwartz
Residents at Brookdale Assisted
Living

SUN. JAN. 26 11:45 AM

- † Frank Blaisdell (B-day)
- † James Blaisdell, Jr.
- † Rosolino Pizzo (1st Anniv.)
- † Garry Fix

- † Maria Roti
- † Mary Jo Marchione
- † Khaloud Orow Yatooma
- † Bert Walter
- † Joseph Tinervia

TUE. JAN. 28 8:30 AM

- Angelina Yaro (Bday)
- † Chris Ogryski (15th Anniv.)
Nevaeh Yaro (Bday)
Fr. Charles Fox
James Butkus (Bday)
- † Florentine Pniewski

WED. JAN. 29 8:30 AM

- † Jerry Kennedy

THU. JAN. 30 8:30 AM

- † Ray White

FRI. JAN. 31 8:30 AM

- † John & Therese Berd, Dennis Berd,
Vicky Berd
Nicole & Baby (Healing)
- † Sophie Baran (51st Anniv.)

SAT. FEB. 1 4:30 PM

- † Joe Basirico, Maria Basirico-Fiorello
- † Aloysius Hessell
- † K. T. Karen Theut McCormack
- † Helen Frankowski (14th Anniv.)
- † Anthony Aued (Bday)
- † Ben Hessell
- † Inocencia Galang

- † Hub Kraemer
- † Pat Sandstrom
- † Frank Bernabei

SUN. FEB. 2 8:00 AM

- Sylvia & Benedict Szatkowski
- † Dennis Stroh
Shawn Lechner (Bday)
- † Joan Swanson

SUN. FEB. 2 9:45 AM

- † Mary Gugliemetti
- † Franks Blowers
- † Michele Benacquista
- † Jeff Huyghe
- † Anna Chryczyk
- † Dominick Ciolino
- † Sylvia Ciolino
- † Mary Lou Stewart
- † Adrian Ossowski
- † Maria Adolf Motyl

SUN. FEB. 2 11:45 AM

- † Rose Tinervia Parison
- † Rosalie Dilorenzo
- † Francesco & Rosaria Dilorenzo
- † Salvatore Garofolo
- † Stefana Mocerì
- † Joseph Phillips
- † Jennifer Yatuomu Yousif
- † Gorjia Kassab
- † Petrus Kassab
- † Leonardo Vonella (10th Anniv.)
- † Paul & Mary Jane Grivas

Readings

SUNDAY

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10;
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15;
1 Cor 12:12-30;
Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

MONDAY

Heb 9:15, 24-28;
Ps 98:1-6;
Mk 3:22-30

TUESDAY

Heb 10:1-10;
Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10-11;
Mk 3:31-35

WEDNESDAY

Heb 10:11-18;
Ps 110:1-4;
Mk 4:1-20

THURSDAY

Heb 10:19-25;
Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6;
Mk 4:21-25

FRIDAY

Heb 10:32-39;
Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40;
Mk 4:26-34

SATURDAY

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19;
Lk 1:69-75;
Mk 4:35-41

SUNDAY

Mal 3:1-4;
Ps 24:7-10;
Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40

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