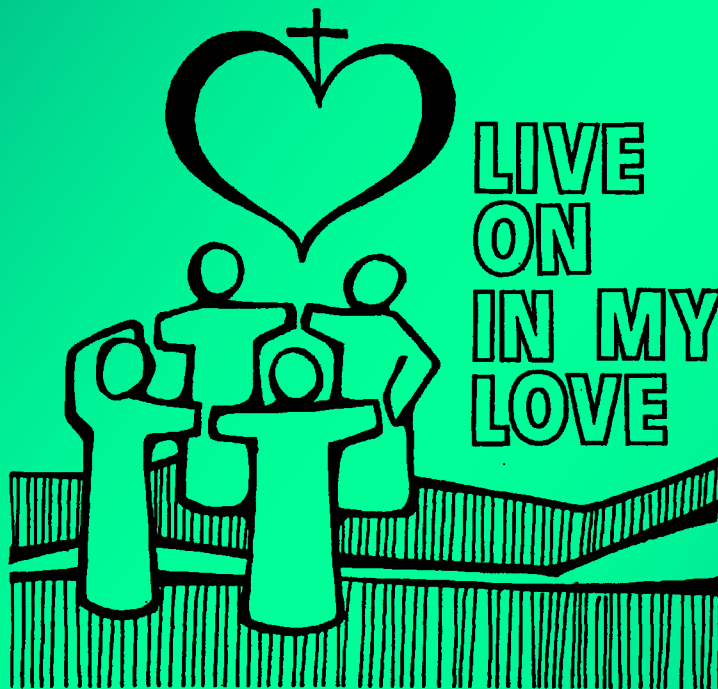




**ST. THERESA
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**
THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH A BIG HEART

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2009



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MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASSES
Monday through Friday:
8:30 a.m.
WEEKENDS
Saturday:
4:00 & 5:30 p.m.
Sunday:
7:30, 9:00 & 11:30 a.m.
Holy Day Vigil: 7:30 p.m.
Holy Day Masses:
8:30 a.m.
12:00 Noon (except if
a Saturday)

TRIDENTINE (Latin) MASS
6 PM every Sunday
Queen of Peace

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms and Confirmation:
Please contact the Parish Office at
245-2458 for more information.
Marriage: Call the office at least
6 months prior to intended date.
Anointing of the Sick: Available
at end of all weekend Masses.
Vocations: Call the office for more
information and guidance.
Confessions: 3:00-3:45 p.m.
*on Saturday or contact the
office for appointment.*
**Hospital and Homebound
Communion:** Call Parish Office.
Friday Eucharistic Adoration:
Holy Hour 3-4 pm.; Silent 4-6 pm
**SICK CALL and
FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS**
245-2458



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Karen French

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(Information and Referral Service)



SMALL TASKS

Each small task of everyday life is part of the total harmony of the universe.

--St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Parish Mission Statement



WE ARE COMMUNITY FOUNDED BY CHRIST HIMSELF, EMPOWERED BY HIS GIFT OF THE EUCHARIST. WE ARE COMMITTED TO GROW IN FAITH, HOPE, LOVE AND SERVICE TO ALL.

Parish Ministries

LITURGICAL FORMATION

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)

Fred @ 861-4397

Holy Hour/Adoration Assistants: Fred @ 861-4397

Altar Servers: Julie @ 245-5300 or Pastor @ 245-2458

Lectors: Kay @ 245-9098

Ushers: Kay @ 245-9098 or Pastor @ 245-2458

Choir: Kay @ 245-9098

FAITH FORMATION

Adult Discussion Group: Joan @ 307-7905

Catechists: Julie @ 245-5300

R.C.I.A.: Julie @ 245-5300 or Gloria @ 347-6149

Youth Ministry: Julie @ 245-5300

PASTORAL/ OUTREACH

Ministers to the Sick (MTS): Donna @ 687-1070

HIV/Aids: Jim @ 347-2172

Bereavement: Mary @ 259-0548

Respect Life: Barbara @ 245-5288

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Cursillo: Elena @ 245-7348 or 812-3125

Knights of Columbus: Dick @ 347-7717

Columbiettes Auxiliary: Polly @ 347-9378

Ladies Guild: Loretta @ 245-5437

Legion of Mary: Peggy @ 347-6439

Ultreya: Elena @ 245-7348 or 812-3125

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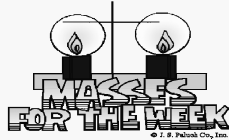
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SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009

8:30 am **COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICE and Novena to Our Blessed Mother**
 4:00 pm **Margaret Agnes Frank (+)** by George Frank
Gricar & Fortuna Families by M/M J. Gricar
 5:30 pm **Kathleen & James McGovern (+)** by Eileen & Jane Dolan
Kay Collins (+) by Gerry Schweitzer
"Bill" Edward Reed (+) by Gerry Schweitzer

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2009

7:30 am **Sam & Jean Keffer (+)** by Bob & Judy Keffer
Jason Iagulli (+) by Mary & Steve Comunale
 9:00 am **Janette Daley (+)** by Valerie Jones
Richard McAllister (+) by Kaster & Nadeau families
Vera Natiello (+) by Gerald & Carol Grega
 11:30 am **Shane Timothy Collins (+)**
Well-Being of Parish Family

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2009

8:30 am **Rose Passalacqua (+)** by Mary & Steve Comunale
Spec. Intention of Joe & Mary Tapler by Jim & Mary Cassidy

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2009

8:30 am **Jack Miller (+)** by Carol Miller
Alex Steward (+) by St. Theresa Thrift Shop
Rose Passalacqua (+) by St. Theresa Ladies Guild

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2009

8:30 am **Julia Geoghan (+), Warren Geoghan (+)**
& John Geoghan (+) by Barbara Hamuka

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2009

8:30 am **Elizabeth Callahan (+)** by Mary Callahan
Edward Micus (+) by Alice Youtsey
Spec. Intention of Josephine Biscuino by sisters Anita Montalbo
 & Marie D'Aurio

FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2009

8:30 am **Bernard & Rose Majewski (+)** by Sandra Zudyk
Mitchell Osmialowski (+) by Mary Amrozowicz

SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009

8:30 am **COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICE and Novena to Our Blessed Mother**
 4:00 pm **Loretta Vogt and Family (+)** by Shorty
Chris, Ray, & Robert Dlugoborski by I. & R. Dlugoborski
 5:30 pm **Well-Being of Parish Family**



**Sixth Sunday of Easter
 May 17, 2009**



It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit.

-- John 15:16

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

In the Gospel for the Sixth Sunday of Easter we are met with an extraordinary challenge: Jesus commands us to "love one another as I love you" (John 15:12). The letter from John echoes this command. Of course, we are to love those in our family, those we work with, those we like. But the scriptures make clear that we are also to love those we never notice, those we purposely avoid, and even those we are tempted to despise.



In this Sunday's selection from the Acts of the Apostles Peter shows us how far God's love extends, and how far our love should extend in response. Peter realizes that God no longer "shows partiality" to the Jews, sharing divine love exclusively with them. Christ has revealed that God's love extends to all people, and so should ours.

TODAY'S READINGS



First Reading -- The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

Psalm -- The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

Second Reading -- God is love (1 John 4:7-10) or 1 John 4:11-16.

Gospel -- No one has greater love than this; to lay down one's life for one's friends (John 15:9-17) or John 17:11b-19.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. John I
Wednesday: St. Bernardine of Siena
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord (unless transferred to Sunday)
Friday: St. Rita of Cascia

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

*** A daily guide for our lives ***

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 -- 16:4a
 Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11
 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 -- 18:1; Jn 16:12-15
 Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23 or 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20
 Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23
 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28
 Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; or, for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In "**New Technologies, New Relationships: Promoting a Culture of Respect, Dialogue and Friendship**," Pope Benedict XVI's Apostolic Letter for World Communication Day on May 17, Pope Benedict writes, "These technologies are truly a gift to humanity and we must endeavor to ensure that the benefits they offer are put at the service of all human individuals and communities, especially those who are most disadvantaged and vulnerable."

As a local Church Alive in Christ, we utilize print, broadcast, internet, and other technology to nourish the spiritual life of Catholics already active in the Church; to welcome other Christians and Catholics who have disengaged themselves from the Church; and through our social action, introduce a Christ-centered living to those individuals who have not yet had this opportunity. The Catholic Communication Campaign, CCC, an activity of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, utilizes various media tools to help us nourish the spiritual life of the people we serve. The CCC annual collection supports these efforts. Perhaps most importantly, **one-half of this annual collection stays** within the Diocese of Orlando. Some of the ways in which our Diocese of Orlando is enriched by your donations to the Catholic Communication Campaign include:

- Promoting the Good News through the New American Bible daily readings posted at www.usccb.org. Last year, 7 million unique visitors—an average of 1.2 million visitors each month—listened to the New American Bible daily readings at www.usccb.org.
- Offering Spanish-language outreach to more than 100,000 listeners and readers through Buena Nueva FM 104.1 subcarrier and El Clarin newspaper;
- Expanding and updating the Diocese of Orlando website at www.orlandodiocese.org visited by more than 227,000 people last year;
- Facilitating workshops on communication tools throughout the Diocese;
- Developing, printing, and distribution of child sexual abuse and prevention educational materials to our parents, faculty, staff, priests, religious sisters, and volunteers;
- Creating a Diocese of Orlando YouTube Channel for media views;
- Strengthening information about the Sacrament of Marriage through the *For Your Marriage* campaign which offers public service announcements on radio, television and billboards to draw people seeking information on the Sacrament of Marriage or ideas on how to strengthen their marriages to its website, www.foryourmarriage.org;
- Funding for the production of *Sister Survivors: Religious Life under Eastern European Communism*, produced by the Sisters of St. Joseph, honors the women religious who endured persecution and difficulties under communist regimes in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

Pope Benedict XVI concludes his World Communication Day address with the following, "Human hearts are yearning for a world where love endures, where gifts are shared, where unity is built, where freedom finds meaning in truth, and where identity is found in respectful communion. Our faith can respond to these expectations: may you become its heralds!" As a herald of the Good News, I thank you for your generous contribution to this annual collection.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas Wenski
Bishop of Orlando



*Flower signups needed
for our
Blessed Mother
June - December 2009*

SIGN UP FOR YOUR SPECIAL DATES:

Call Penn at 861-4397 or Elaine at

307-7782 to schedule flower arrangements.



May 10, 2009 \$ 8,148.10

Project Growth \$ 1,887.50

May 3 correction \$ 8,801.65

Thank you for your
continued generosity.

Mass Celebrants For MAY

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Fr. George 5:30 p.m. - Fr. David

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - Fr. George 9:00 a.m. - Fr. David

11:30 a.m. - Fr. David

Daily Masses: 8:30 a.m. - Fr. David
(All Schedules depend on Priest availability.)

Gloria Landon Fr. George
Joanne Jensen Estelle Zegaren
Fred McGee Bob & Marge Wilson
Helen Whitcomb Daniel Stango Jim Mahon
Rosalie Selenski Roy Chase Hada Almeida
Teresa DesRosiers Shannon Henry Leo Dubuc Fred Ross
Roger Vollmer Mary Mulert Warren Filkins Kathryn Soth

Pray for . . . the Sick of Our Parish

Father, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. We ask this through the Lord Jesus Who healed those who believed. Amen.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & ENRICHMENT**THE 2008-2009 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:**

Registration is an ongoing process. There are Religious Education registration forms in the vestibule of the church. REMINDER: FOR ALL NEW REGISTRATIONS A BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED FOR EACH CHILD REGISTERED.

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS****VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-SUMMER CATECHETICAL PROGRAM**

– the week-long summer program will be held the week of July 13-17, 2009 in the evening from 6:00 – 8:30 pm. The theme this year is “Crocodile Dock”. We are looking for swamp, bayou-themed type decorations. If you have anything that we can borrow, please call the Religious Ed office.

**RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES PRE-K-8TH GRADE**

– The final class for this year will be on May 17th. Jr. High youth ministry and High school youth ministry will continue to meet throughout the summer. Elementary age children will have a summer catechesis program July 13-17 (see info above). Many thanks to the catechists for their dedication and commitment and to the parents and families for participating in Religious Education throughout the year.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES are invited to attend 9:00 Mass on Sunday, May 31st, to be recognized for your achievement and celebrate with the faith community this milestone in your life. Please call the Religious Ed office for more information & to RSVP to this invitation.

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY - a six-week bible study for high school youth which includes 8th graders going into 9th grade in the fall through 12th grade. We will study the book of Exodus: God to the Rescue! Wednesdays for six consecutive weeks beginning June 3rd 7:00-8:30 PM in the youth house.

CATHOLIC FAMILY & YOUTH DAY AT WET 'N WILD

- Saturday, June 6, 2009. Advance ticket price \$26. Tickets available for purchase in the Religious Ed office. Tickets include free parking, free unlimited soft drinks and lemonade from 4-6 and other savings. The park closes to the public at 6PM. From 6-9 PM is the Diocese of Orlando private party. Please call the religious education office for more details.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

SUN. 5/17	12:30 pm Altar servers training 10:15 am Religious Ed LAST CLASS Coffee & Donuts after all Masses 1 pm Confirmation at St. Timothy's
MON. 5/18	6 pm Youth Mtg. Jr. Hi 7 pm Choir Practice
TUES. 5/19	2 pm SS Advisory Bd Mtg. 7 pm K of C 4th Degree Mtg.
THURS. 5/21	7 pm Choir Practice
FRI. 5/22	1:15 pm Legion of Mary 3-6 Holy Hour & Eucharistic Adoration
SAT. 5/23	9-2:45 Thrift Shop BLOW OUT SALE 3-3:45 pm Confessions

ANNOUNCEMENTS**Congratulations to Chris Short**

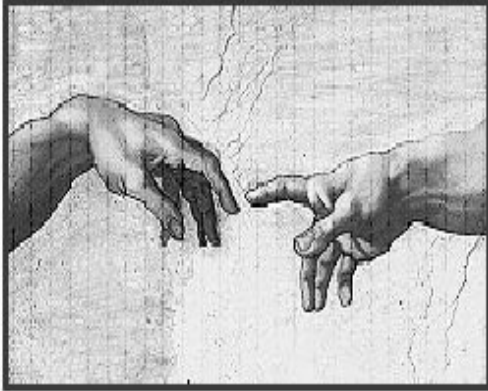
for being the first recipient of the St. Theresa Ladies Guild Scholarship. Chris is graduating from The Villages High School and is attending the University of Tampa. He was very involved with St. Theresa Church as both an Altar Server and with the Youth Ministry. The Ladies Guild was pleased to present this scholarship check of \$500.00 to him at their meeting on May 5, 2009. There will be no meetings in June, July and August. All ladies of St. Theresa Parish are welcome to join us for the September meeting.

*** For Alterations and Miscellaneous Mending ***

Drop-off service available.
Call Eileen at 433-5231.

Anyone who would like to help us with coffee & donuts, please see Marilyn or Russ on Sunday in the hall after Mass, or call the house at 624-1900. Thank you.

ATTENTION KIDS ! If you are interested in participating in the 2009 Knights of Columbus Poster/Essay Contest, please contact Julie at 352-245-5300 or David at 352-347-8492 for further information.



HE LOVED US FIRST

The readings today teach us that God's love for us takes precedence over our love for him, and that his choice of us takes precedence over our choice for him. "In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us" (First reading); "It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you" (Gospel). In a society that places such a high value on "freedom of choice," this truth is especially important. It is God's choice of a human life that gives it value, not our choice. It is God's decision to entrust us to the care of each other that creates the responsibilities we have toward human life, not the choice we make to be responsible for them. If our responsibility to love and care for human life, starting with our own children (born and unborn) is rooted in God's eternal choice and his decision to love us (and those children), then we do not have the moral right to reject that responsibility, love, and life.

Giving life, moreover, is the very revelation of God's love. "In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him" (First reading). The command given to us to love, therefore, is a command both to receive and give the kind of love God shows. "Love one another as I love you" (Gospel). We are to lay down our lives for one another, which is exactly the opposite of laying down others' lives for ourselves (as so many do by abortion and other forms of violence).

Fr. Frank Pavone

Centers for Disease Control (CDC):
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/>

General Good Hygiene Practices

Everyone is reminded of the need to practice good hygiene and, in the face of the threat of the H1N1 flu, to reduce person-to-person contact.

- If you are experiencing flu-like symptoms, please remain at home. Do not attend your place of employment, school, church or social activities.
- If you become ill, call a doctor immediately.
- Wash your hands often and/or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- If your health may be compromised because of medical treatment, such as chemotherapy, or you have been directed by your medical advisor that you are particularly susceptible to infection, please wear a mask when gathering with others.
- The Obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and other Holy Days (Canon 1247) is the ordinary expectation of Catholics. Extraordinary circumstances such as sickness excuse the faithful from this obligation. If you are not feeling well, especially during this time of concern, please stay at home and do not attend Mass.
- During the celebration of Mass, please do NOT hold hands during the reciting of the Our Father and share the Sign of Peace WITHOUT touching hands or kissing. This can be done with meaningful eye contact, smiles, and a bow of the head in reverence to one another.

If the situation of health risks escalates in our community, further notification will be made regarding additional precautions.

Good Health Habits Can Help Stop Germs:

1. Avoid close contact. Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.
2. Stay home when you are sick. If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.
3. Cover your mouth and nose. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick.
4. Clean your hands. Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs.
5. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.
6. Practice other good health habits. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious foods.

Devoted to our Blessed Mother?

Consider becoming a member of the
Legion of Mary,



the largest apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church, with well over 3 million active members in almost every country of the world.

Active and Auxiliary members needed.

Learn more at: www.sttheresacatholicchurch.org/Legion_of_Mary.html

Come as guest to a weekly meeting: Fridays, 1:15 pm, in Rm. 8.

MARY OUR MOTHER

Whoever does not wish to have Mary Immaculate as their Mother will not have Christ as their Brother.

--St. Maximillian Kolbe