



ST. THERESA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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The Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 2008

First Week in Ordinary Time

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

Mass Schedule

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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)

Sacraments

Baptisms and Confirmation: Please contact the Parish office at 245-2458 for more information.

Marriage: Call the office at least six (6) months prior to intended date.

Anointing of the Sick: Available after all 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.

Sick Call & for Funerals
245-2458 or 235-4506

Tridentine (Latin) Mass: 2nd & 4th Sundays, 6 PM - Queen of Peace



St. Theresa Catholic Church

Pastor: Fr. David Vivero

Retired Assoc: Fr. George Koerber

Deacon: Rev. Norman LaFleur

(Contact Deacon LaFleur regarding Annulments)

New Parishioners: Please register at Parish Office

Parish Office: (352) 245-2458

(Voice mail checked during non-office times)

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(Information and Referral Service)



*Respond with Joy
to whatever
His Call may be.*

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

EUCHARISTIC

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

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC):

Fred @ 861-4397

Holy Hour/Adoration Assistants: Fred @ 861-4397

LITURGICAL

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

Bible Study: Lois @ 245-2255

Catechists: Julie @ 245-5300

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

Youth Ministry: Julie @ 245-5300

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Cursillo: Elena @ 245-7348 or 812-3125

Knights of Columbus: Ron @ 288-2901

Knights' Columbiettes: Karen @ 245-7689

Ladies Guild: Karen @ 245-7689

Legion of Mary: Fred @ 861-4397

Ultreya: Elena @ 245-7348 or 812-3125

MISC. OUTREACH

HIV/Aids: Jim @ 347-2172

Bereavement: Ruth @ 307-1292

Prison Ministry: Fred & Arlene @ 347-6708

Respect Life: Jim @ 347-2172

BULLETIN NOTICES and WEBSITE INFORMATION

Bulletin copy must be in written format and submitted two (2) Thursdays prior to the weekend of publication.

Place in "Bulletin" or "Website" inbox at office with all particulars and desired date of insertion noted

OR E-mail (preferred method)

for Bulletin: info@sttheresacatholicchurch.org

for Website: webmaster@sttheresacatholicchurch.org

Mass Intentions



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SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2008

8:30 am **COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICE**

4:00 pm **Well-Being of Parish Family**

5:30 pm **Pauline & Tony Martorani (+)** by Bernadette Martorani-Black

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2008

7:30 am **Mike Flynn** by Fred & Penn Herbert

9:00 am **Carol Bigelow (+)** Mary Rogowski

Edward Barry (+) by Prima Kennedy

Edward Barry (+) by Norma Bernvenuto

11:30 am **Barney Guzzo** by Anna Distefano

Antoinette Latona by Rose Passalacqua

MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2008

8:30 am Adam Strachan (+) by Tony & Connie Cangelosi

Edward Barry (+) by Mary & Steve Comunale

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2008

8:30 am Holy Souls in Purgatory by Pat & George Ezzo

Spec. Intention of Peter Luis Hernandez by Pat & George Ezzo

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2008

8:30 am Pauline Boulanger (+) by Linda Parchura Family

Robert Twist (+) by Frances Twist

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2008

8:30 am Rita Spencer (+) by Frank Spencer

Robert Twist (+) by Frances Twist

Holy Souls in Purgatory by Pat & George Ezzo

Spec. Intention of Brittani Lindsey by Pat & George Ezzo

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2008

8:30 am Monthly Memorial Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2008

8:30 am **COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICE**

4:00 am Adam Strachan (+) by Mary Cangelosi

Robert Twist (+) by Frances Twist

Ed Barry (+) by Helen Kirham

Francis & Lottie Baranek (+) by Jane & Dave Reiter

David & Francis Reiter (+) by Jane & Dave Reiter

Spec. Intention of Kathleen Sirkorski by James Owens

5:30 pm Well-Being of Parish Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2008

7:30 am Spec. Intention of Joe Machovoe by Dick &

Lynn Machovoe

9:00 am Rose Sigillo (+) by George & Joan Cosma & Family

11:30 am Robert Twist (+) by Frances Twist

Barney Guzzo (+) by Ann DiStefano

Ed Barry (+) by Columbiettes

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A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

— Matthew 3:17



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GOD'S BELOVED

Only one week has passed since we celebrated the feast of the Epiphany. No longer are we focused on the images of the child Jesus surrounded by his parents and the magi at the manger in Bethlehem. Today, it's as if the Church has pushed the "fast forward" button in the life of Jesus. Today we celebrate his baptism in the Jordan. When the Lord Jesus rises from the waters of baptism, the heavens open and a voice announces, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased". (Matthew 3:17). This event sets the stage for the unfolding of Jesus Christ's life and work, which will become our focus for the rest of the year as we tune our ears to Saint Matthew's Gospel. As we prepare ourselves for this work, let us be reminded that we, too, were counted among God's beloved at the moment of our own baptism.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the LORD upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7).

Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29).



Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38).

Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Matthew 3:13-17).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34



thoughts from Fr. David ...

Before the Ceremony

The Command:

"Go make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father..."



During the Ceremony

The Invitation:

Addressing parents and Godparents:

"You have come here to present these children for baptism. By water and the Holy Spirit they are to receive the gift of new life from God who is love. On your part, YOU MUST make it your constant care to bring them up in the practice of the faith...if your faith makes you ready to accept this responsibility, renew now the vows of your own baptism. Reject sin, profess your faith in Christ Jesus. This is the Faith in which these children are about to be baptized."

After the Ceremony

The Challenge:

How are you living your
own Baptismal Commitment?
Have you allowed God's Presence
to make a difference in your life?
Who are the persons who brought
light to your life?

How can we celebrate the sacramental
gift of our own Baptism and make it Alive
in this Holy New of Evangelization 2008?

Happy New Year!



Offertory Contributions

December 30, 2007	\$ 7,320.69
Project Growth	\$ 2,270.00
Christmas (add'l.)	\$ 3,743.00
New Year	\$ 2,668.00
January 6, 2008	\$ 8,189.42
Project Growth	\$ 1,847.00

We ask your prayers for the repose of the souls of Virginia Pistarelli, James Wilson, Frank Boesfleish and Edward Barry, who recently died.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



**Thank you to our many
dedicated volunteers
who are enriching our
various ministries with their
time and talent.**

**Thank you to all for sharing
the gifts of your treasure to enable our
parish to continue to do God's work here
at St. Theresa. With your combined efforts
and help, our parish continues to blossom.
We all have gifts fit to give our King!
May God richly bless you in 2008.**

Polish Paczki Dinner/Dance

Our Lady of the Springs Church
Sunday, February 3, 2008
Dinner 12:30 PM/Dancing 1:00-3:30 PM
\$15.00 per person
For tickets & table reservations call:
Our Lady of the Springs 236-2230



Saints and Special Observances

Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord; National Vocation Awareness Week
Thursday:	St. Anthony
Friday:	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary; Orthodox Theophany (Epiphany)

Mass Celebrants for JANUARY

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Fr. George 5:30 p.m. - Fr. Shine
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - Fr. David 9:00 a.m. - Fr. David
11:30 a.m. - Fr. David

Monday & Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. - Fr. George
Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 8:30 a.m. - Fr. David

VOCATION DISCERNMENT

“Sisters: A Life of Love”

A Vocation Discernment Retreat for Women
January 25-26

The Sisters of St. Joseph have planned a retreat for single, Catholic women (18-35 yrs.) who are seeking information about religious life in Florida.

This retreat will be held in St. Augustine on Fri/Sat at St. Joseph Convent, the SSJ Motherhouse.

Retreat begins at 4:45 pm on Friday; closes at 3 pm on Saturday. Cost is \$10 which includes breakfast, lunch and overnight accommodations at the convent.

To register, please contact Sr. Kathleen Power, SSJ, at ssjfvocations@bellsouth.net; 407-246-4928 or 904-610-9228.

LIVING OUR OWN BAPTISM

Today's observance of Jesus' baptism reminds us of our own baptism, that turning point in each of our lives whereby we become disciples of the Lord and members of His Body the Church. Moreover, this recalling of our baptism becomes the occasion for us today to recommit ourselves to living a new way of life, to living life differently because baptism truly marked a turning point in our lives.

The turning point which baptism marked and caused in our lives means from now on that we live life, with all its problems and uncertainties, in a spirit of faith, hope and love; that we inject into our society huge doses of compassion and forgiveness, of justice and peace; that we be the catalysts — agents of change — for a renewed morality in the personal, civic, political and social arenas of life; that we respect and protect human life from its beginning at conception all the way through to its end at natural death; that we live, united in faith and practice, in union with our Holy Father and with our bishops; that we find in our union with Jesus the strength to go about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil (cf. second reading) as we cling to the hope of one day sharing eternal life in heaven.

Below is a list of stocks received in the last few weeks without a donor. Please notify the office if you have donated any of these so that the Diocese can distribute the proceeds to the appropriate parish.

12/18 Genuine Parts (GPC)
12/20 Wyeth (WYE)
12/26 Chevron Corp (CVX)
12/26 Intuitive Surgical Inc. (ISRG)
12/26 Kraft (KFT)
12/27 Lowes (LOW)
12/31 Deere & Co. (DE)

DISCOVER ANSWERS
TO DAILY CATHOLIC QUESTIONS
at
www.sttheresacatholicchurch.org
(go to Core Beliefs page)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BISHOP WENSKI will formerly welcome and install Father David from Parochial Administrator to Pastor on January 20 at our 9:00 AM Mass.

BIBLE STUDY: Thurs., Jan. 17, 1-2:30 PM, Rm. 8. Study Question: *Name a way that you are being called to Discipleship.*



A DAY OF REFLECTION for Bereavement Ministers will be held on January 16 from 9:00 - 3:00 PM at St. Timothy Catholic Church, Hwy. 441, The Villages. For more information, contact Ruth at 307-1292.

DOES GOD CARE ABOUT YOUR MARRIAGE? YOU BET! Find out how much on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on Jan. 25-27 at the Spring Hill Suites in Sanford, Florida. Just think: 44 glorious hours to focus only on each other—get away from jobs, kids, chores, phones! Registration closes shortly, so for more information or to register, contact Jerry & Judy Hedges at 407/933-5546 or by email at: MEforUS66@hotmail.com.



DRIVERS NEEDED to deliver Meals on Wheels on Fridays at 10:30 AM. For approximately one hour. Contact Senior Services at 245-5357.

VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

The week of January 13, 2008 is
NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK.

In a special way, let us pray that men and women will respond to God's invitation to do Church ministry. Won't you consider inviting a person to consider becoming a PRIEST, DEACON, SISTER OR BROTHER?



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & ENRICHMENT

Call 245-5300 with questions or concerns about the following notices:

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP - Sponsored by RCIA, this is an open forum with Fr. David and fellow parishioners. Meet with other adults to discuss current event topics in light of our Catholic teachings. The next meeting will be on Thursday January 17, 2008 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the Religious Education Bldg. For more information or topic suggestions, call Joan at 307-7905.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION- "Born Anew in Baptism" The first session on Confirmation will be on Thursday January 17, 2008 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Each session will begin in the Church with prayer. All are welcome to come to all or some of the six (6) sessions. After opening Prayer there will be age appropriate sessions - one for adults and one for teens to learn about this Sacrament. If you would like to learn more about Confirmation, please join us.



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY - SEX, LOVE & RELATIONSHIPS - Pam Stenzel, Founder of ENLIGHTEN COMMUNICATIONS Inc., tackles today's tough issues of sex with candor, insight, humor, and the challenge for young people to get the abstinence advantage. Pam has traveled worldwide, speaking in person to over 500,000 young people each year about issues of sexuality and the importance of abstinence. Her videos are viewed by millions worldwide. Pam also holds seminars with parents and educators regarding issues of teen sex and how vital character building is in a child's upbringing. Holy Cross Youth Ministry has extended an invitation for our youth & parents to attend this important seminar. Mark your calendars for **SUNDAY January 13, 2008**. Ms. Stenzel's talk will be from **3:00-4:30**. Mass at 5:00 PM. Holy Cross, Orlando, **DONATIONS WILL BE TAKEN**. This event is also open to 8th graders and their parents. **PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND**. We will arrange transportation. Please call the Religious Education office to register: **245-5300**.

"Be not afraid to tell Jesus that you love Him; even though it be without feeling, this is the way to oblige Him to help you, and carry you like a little child too feeble to walk."

St. Therese of Lisieux



2007-2008 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*

This is an ongoing process for:

Catechumens-Non-Baptized persons wishing to join or to learn about the Catholic Church.

Converts – Baptized Protestants who wish to join or to learn about the Catholic Church.

Catholics seeking Confirmation.

Catholics seeking Faith Enrichment.

If you or someone you know is interested in information regarding RCIA: Call the Office at 245-5300.



**Remember Those
in the Military**

*Please pray for all the brave young
men and women of our parish Family
who are serving our country
in the nation's Armed Forces:*

Joey Diaz - Army
Jack Duvall - Army
Megan Thomas - Navy
Louis Alvey - Army
Shaun Martin - Navy
Steven Palladino - Army
Michael McNabb - Navy
Derek Marin- Marines
Anthony Sinicropi - Army
Tony Mendoza - Army
David Latimer - Navy
Mark Deschenes- Navy
Sal Torchia - Army
Jesse Kelley - Army
Tara McKnabb - Navy
Bill Sterbinsky - Army
James Lewis - Army
Donald Korpi - Army
Bradley Henderson - Army
Jeremy Martin - Navy
Hunter Chatters - Army

~ Please call 245-2458 - to add or delete a name from our list. ~

* Marriage Moments *

Do you have a regular date night?
Your calendar reflects your priorities.
Consider penciling in "date night" once
a week on your 2008 calendar.
If something comes up, you can
switch it to another night that week.



Do it now. The year will
be over before you know it.

Fr. George Walter Studzinski Tom Mascaro Joyce Landry
Paulie Lozano Leo Dubuc Anne Teti Roland Vonisinski
Margaret Blair Richard Gustafson Nancy Armitage

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.*