

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



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Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time July 20, 2008

Brothers and sisters: The Spirit comes
to the aid of our weakness . . . Romans 8:26

Gifts of the Holy Spirit



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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)

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.

SICK CALL and FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS
245-2458

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: Normand LaFleur

(Contact Deacon LaFleur regarding Annulments)

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(Answering service during non-office times)

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The kingdom
of heaven
is
like a
mustard
seed



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which is the least indeed of all seeds; but when it is grown up, it is greater than all herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come, and dwell in the branches thereof.

MT 13:31-32

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

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

PASTORAL/ OUTREACH

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

HIV/Aids: Jim @ 347-2172

Bereavement: Mary @ 751-1758

Respect Life: Jim @ 347-2172

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

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SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2008

8:30 am **COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICE**
and Novena to Our Blessed Mother
4:00 pm **Francis & Lottie Baranek (+)** by Jane & Dave Reiter
David Francis Reiter (+) by Jane & Dave Reiter
Veron Magee, Sr. (+) by Ralph & Marylee Magee
Elsie Deitrick (+) by R. & H. Kowalski
Louise K. Campbell (+) by William Campbell
5:30 pm **Well-Being of Parish Family**

SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2008

7:30 am **Bill & Jerry Bevan (+)** by Richard Bevan
Holy Souls in Purgatory by M/M George Ezzo
Spec. Intention of Andy Annunziata by M/M George Ezzo
9:00 am **Frances Johnson (+)** by Antoinette Sioch
Carruolo Family (+) by Maria Buttero
11:30 am **Sharon Huss (+)** by Jack & Eileen Diction

MONDAY, JULY 21, 2008

8:30 am **Dixie Vavra (+)** by Bill Vavra
Holy Souls in Purgatory by Pat Ezzo
Spec. Intention of George Ezzo by Pat Ezzo

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2008

8:30 am **Dixie Vavra (+)** by Bill Vavra
Holy Souls in Purgatory by M/M George Ezzo
Spec. Intention of Lena Antonino by M/M George Ezzo

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2008

8:30 am **Loretta Vogt (+)** by Vogt Family
Dixie Vavra (+) by Bill Vavra
Helen Corbin (+) by Ceil Chmiel

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2008

8:30 am **Dixie Vavra (+)** by Bill Vavra
Holy Souls in Purgatory by M/M George Ezzo
Spec. Intention of Helen Zelasko by Jan & Gene Stehura
Spec. Intention of Tina Lindsey by M/M George Ezzo

FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2008

8:30 am **Gregory P. Cassidy (+)** by Jim & Mary Cassidy
Dennis Hughes (+) by Jim & Marge Hakel
Dixie Vavra (+) by Bill Vavra
Holy Souls in Purgatory by M/M George Ezzo
Spec. Intention of Enid & Dana Ezzo & Family
by M/M George Ezzo

SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2008

8:30 am **COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICE**
and Novena to Our Blessed Mother
4:00 pm **John Urquhart (+)** by Carmen Urquhart
Gordon Clark (+) by Dave & JoAnne Rinz
Elsie Deitrick (+) by R. & H. Kowalski
Louise K. Campbell (+) by William Campbell
5:30 pm **Margaret Rengen (+)** by Jack & Eileen Diction
Holy Souls in Purgatory by M/M George Ezzo
Spec. Intention of Andy Annunziata by M/M George Ezzo
Spec. Intention of M/M Gerald Kucinski by Stephen McClendon

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 20, 2008**



Those who are just must be kind.
— *Wisdom 12:19*

THE MERCY, POWER, AND LOVE OF GOD

The first reading today, from the book of Wisdom, makes its point over and over, at least five times in five verses! God is mighty, but lenient to all. God's power is shown in kindness and clemency, not in harshness and condemnation, and those who govern God's people must govern in the same way, with kindness. This loving kindness and gentleness is not contrary to God's might, but is a direct result of God's primacy over all. Who are we, then, to judge what is in the hearts of our fellow Christians and all people, when God commands justice with love and clemency?

Likewise, the Holy Spirit makes up for our ignorance of what we need, speaking in a language we do not yet understand. But God knows our needs before we do, understands the intercessions of the Spirit, and helps us in our weakness. This is our hope: God's mercy, power, and love.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You taught your people that those who are just must likewise be kind (Wisdom 12:13, 16-19).

Psalms — Lord, you are good and forgiving (Psalm 86).

Second Reading — The Spirit comes to aid us in our weakness (Romans 8:26-27).

Gospel — Jesus proposes parables to the crowds, teaching them of the reign of God (Matthew 13:24-43 [24-30]).

The kingdom of heaven is like a farmer who sowed good seed



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10; Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30
Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]

FREE WILL

We have nothing of our own but our will. It is the one thing that God has so placed in our own power that we can make an offering of it.
—St. John Vianney

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & ENRICHMENT

THE 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 simply learn about the Catholic Church.
 Converts – Baptized Protestants who wish to join or simply learn about the Catholic Church.
 Catholics seeking Confirmation.
 Catholics seeking Faith Enrichment.
 If you or someone you know is interested in more information regarding adult faith formation: Call the Office 245-5300.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL -



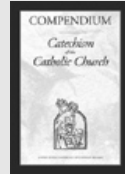
Bubbling Over with Thanks
for all the wonderful
Station Leaders and Crew
Leaders, parents, grand-
parents, and children who participated in
this summer's Vacation Bible School! May
God bless you abundantly and may you
continue your Daily Challenges!

POWER LAB FAMILY POTLUCK PICNIC -

Today (Sunday) after the 11:30 Mass until 2:30 in the Parish Hall. Come and listen to the songs of VBS and enjoy some of the games of VBS. Bring a potluck dish to share and lawn chair to sit in the shade. ALL ARE WELCOME!



ALTAR SERVERS - All children who have received First Communion are asked to further their relationship with God and the church by participating in the Mass as Altar Servers. Your children will not only learn how to assist our priests in our liturgical celebrations, but they will learn the 'whats' and 'whys' of what is done each Sunday. Trainings will be held at times convenient for both parent and child. New servers will be teamed with experienced servers until they are comfortable. Contact Julie at 245-5300 to schedule your child's next step in being closer to God.



Compendium Corner

Why is the Church called "Catholic"?

The Church is *catholic*, that is *universal*, insofar as Christ is present in her: "Where there is Christ Jesus, there is the Catholic Church (Saint Ignatius of Antioch). The Church proclaims the fullness and the totality of the faith; she bears and administers the fullness of the means of salvation; she is sent out by Christ on a mission to the whole of the human race.

From the *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*, p. 48.



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after all Sunday
Masses. Join Us!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MTS Ministers will meet July 24, at 9 AM, in the Quad.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Training

Classes - New and Renewal: The diocese recently announced its schedule for EMHC classes. For those interested in becoming EMHCs, consider attending one of the following sessions (all on Saturday Mornings from 9 am to Noon): Sept. 13 at St. John's, Dunnellon (**Spanish only**), Oct. 11 at Our Lady of the Springs, Ocala (English and Spanish), and Nov. 8 at St. Timothy's (English only).

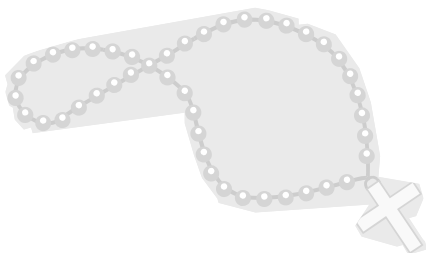
For those needing to renew their mandates, Mornings of Reflection (also on Saturday Mornings from 9 am to Noon) are scheduled for: Sept. 13 at St. John's in Dunnellon (**Spanish only**) and Nov. 8 at St. Timothy's, The Villages (English only). Call our EMHC Coordinator, Fred Herbert, 861-4397 to reserve your place in one of these classes.

We have a critical need for additional EMHCs at the two Saturday Masses. Please consider this important ministry. Contact either Father David or Fred Herbert if you can help.

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The Holy Rosary is prayed
as a community at 8:00 AM
prior to every daily Mass.

WHY Pray the Rosary?

The rosary is an easy and simple way to discover prayer once again, which nourishes faith, because it offers us the possibility of contemplating the whole history of salvation. It reflects the original preaching of the faith. It is the contemplation of the mystery of Christ - essential, and in an atmosphere of prayer - together with Mary. Cardinal John Henry Newman described the rosary as "a creed made into a prayer."

The rosary leads us to contrast our life with God's call to love. In this way, it is fully integrated in our life, giving transcendent meaning to our actions. By praying the rosary, with confidence, we take Mary by the hand so that she will lead us to Jesus. To her, first among believers, we pray that she make us live what she lived, namely, the experience of the presence of Christ in us and among us.

Dominican Theologian Ennio Staid



The Wheat and the Chaff

God gives time for repentance. This is a key theme of today's readings, and it can be applied to the patience that the People of Life need to have as they build a Culture of Life with painstakingly slow but steady steps. Why, some might ask, does God not just stop all the abortions today? He certainly does not justify a single one of them, nor does he allow us to justify them. Moreover, he calls us to do the most we can to restore justice today.

Yet the weeds and wheat grow together; good and evil co-exist. This generous patience of the Lord by which he allows the sinner room to find repentance has led to many conversions. The website of the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, for example, contains numerous testimonies of those who speak out about their abortion and healing (www.SilentNoMoreAwareness.org). Also, many abortionists have converted and now speak out publicly about it (see www.priestsforlife.org/testimonies).

In an election year, it is particularly important to emphasize the theme of patience. Weeds and wheat grow together – but they do grow. As the bishops indicate in *Living the Gospel of Life*, we are called to use our votes to advance the culture of life. Yet no candidate has a magic wand to end the culture of death. We do the best we can, we choose the best of the options, and we work with our elected officials to do the works of justice and life.

Fr. Frank Pavone

Request a Minister to the Sick:

If you or someone you know from our parish family is in the hospital or will be homebound for some time, please contact the church office. We have Ministers to the Sick who will bring the Holy Eucharist and share current news from our community.

Rita Ryan Muriel Marshall Roland Vonisinski Fr. George
 Paulie Lozano Dan Guerrero Margaret Blair
 Helen Whitcomb Edward Forrester Leo Dubuc
 Steve Comunale Tom Mascaro Nancy Armitage
 Bob & Marge Wilson Richard Gustafson Theresa Olive
 Mary Mulert Betty Flynn Barbara Coelho 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.

MEANING IT . . .

People look at us the rest of the week to see what we really meant by our worship together on Sunday.

—Anonymous



LIGHT the DARKNESS