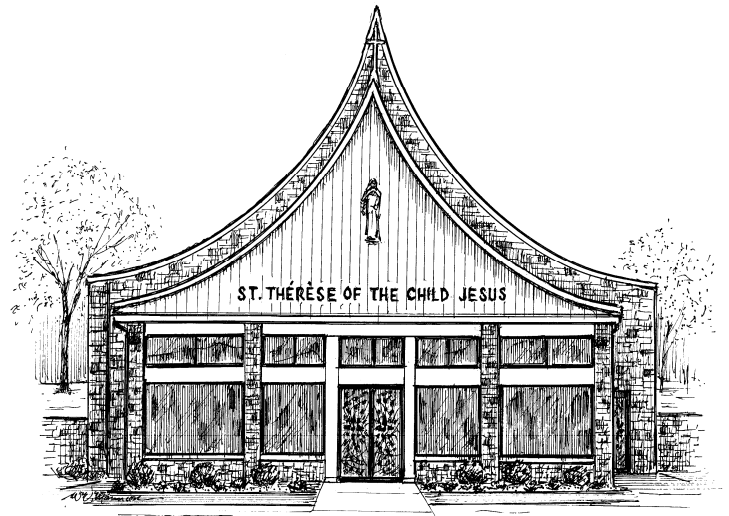


# Saint Therese of the Child Jesus



**Father D. Timothy Grimme, Pastor**  
Rev. Mr. Thomas McFee, *Deacon*  
2301 Fifth Street  
Altoona, PA 16601-3863

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening:..... 5:00 PM  
Sunday Morning: ..... 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

## Parish Telephones

Office: ..... 814-942-4479  
[Usual Office Hours: 9AM-2PM, Mon., Wed., Fri.]  
Mary Beth Schmidhamer, DRE.....814-515-2914

Holy Trinity Regional Catholic School:

Elementary School Campus: ..... 814-381-7011

Middle School Campus:..... 814-942-7835

Fr. Kelley Hall: ..... 814-944-7450

E-mail: .....sttheresealtoona@dioceseaj.org

Fax: ..... 814-942-1873

**Homepage: [sttheresealtoona.com](http://sttheresealtoona.com)**

**Weekday Masses:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 7:45 AM, Wednesday at 9:00 AM (with Holy Trinity Catholic School during school term), Saturday at 8:00 AM.

**Holy Day Masses:** 5:30 PM on the eve of the Holy Day, 12:05 PM & 6:30 PM on the Holy Day. Please refer to the bulletin for Christmas and New Year's schedules and for any schedule changes.

**Baptisms:** Our parish generally celebrates Baptisms on the Third Sunday of each month at the 10:30 AM Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for information regarding required instructional preparations. "Baptismal Names" can be a saint or biblical name, an expression of a Christian mystery or virtue, no name can be used which is foreign to the Christian mentality.

**Confirmation:** Confirmation is celebrated each year as scheduled by our Diocese. Candidates are expected to fulfill all Diocesan and Parish requirements in preparation

**Holy Eucharist:** First Communion is celebrated on the First Sunday of May. Please call the Parish Office to arrange for Holy Communion to be brought to shut-ins.

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:40 PM or by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** For the seriously ill or injured OR those about to have surgery, please contact the Parish Office. Communal Anointing as arranged by the Pastoral Council.

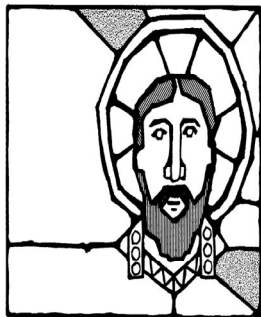
**Weddings:** Weddings are to be scheduled at least six (6) months in advance and should precede any other arrangements for the wedding. All Wedding liturgies are scheduled so as not to conflict with regularly scheduled parish liturgies. All Diocesan directives and regulations for Marriage preparation (FOCCUS, Pre-Cana & Natural Family Planning) are required to be followed.

**Christian Initiation for Adults:** People desiring to become Catholic should contact the Parish Office before September of each year to begin the Christian Initiation Program which concludes at the Easter Vigil.

**Religious Education:** Public School Students from Grades 1 through 11, meet Sunday mornings from 9:00 AM to 10:20 AM in the school building.

**Catholic Education:** Our Parish is a supporting member of Holy Trinity Regional Catholic School, grades Pre-school through Eight, and Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School, grades Nine through Twelve.

**Parish Membership:** Consists of Registration in the Parish Census, active participation at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, worthy reception of the sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation regularly, and financial support of our Parish.



Second Sunday of Lent  
March 5, 2023

Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death  
and brought life and immortality  
to light through the gospel.

—2 Timothy 1:10b

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38  
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;  
Mt 23:1-12  
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28  
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31  
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;  
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;  
Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE 2023

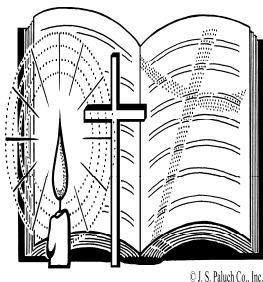
Our theme this year is ***“TOGETHER WE SERVE”***  
*The greatest good can be accomplished and the biggest  
impacts can be made when “Together We Serve”*

The Catholic Ministries Drive 2023 starts March 12 throughout our Diocese. The annual Catholic Ministries Drive supports programs and services beyond the resources of any single parish. Without your help, we could not fulfill our mission. It is important to stress that ministries within our Diocese also rely on parishioner support, and 100% of every donation to the Catholic Ministries Drive is restricted to the ministries funded by the CMD.

**Our 2023 Catholic Ministries Drive target is: \$21,610.**

All contributions received beyond our parish target will be used for our church projects.

Thank you for supporting these vital ministries with sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure.



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### FREE MINISTRY TO TRAVELING CATHOLIC

For nationwide Mass times and locations:

Internet [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org) OR call 1-410-676-6000.

### MONTHLY ROSARY

Our monthly Rosary has been postponed until further notice.

### ROSARY & BENEDICTION

**Wednesday, March 8**, there will be a Rosary and Benediction led by Deacon McFee at 6:00 PM. Rosary intentions for Father Grimme.

### PENN STATE ALTOONA CHAPEL

The Campus Chapel has Eucharistic Adoration **every Tuesday** from 12:45 PM to 1:30 PM. All are welcome .

### AREA PENANCE SERVICES

St. Matthew Parish, Tyrone - Mon., March 13 at 7:00 PM  
St. Mary Parish, Altoona - Wed., March 15 at 5:30 PM  
St. John the Evangelist - Sunday, March 19 at 4:00 PM  
St. Rose of Lima - Sunday, March 26, at 5:00 PM  
Our Lady of Lourdes - Sunday, March 30 at 5:30 PM  
St. Mary, Hollidaysburg - Sunday, April 2, at 4:00 PM

### FATHER GRIMME

Fr. Grimme has had a health set back and is now recovering. If you are in need of a priest, please leave a message at the rectory.

In an emergency, please contact:

Fr. Alan Thomas at (814) 695-0912 or

Fr. Lubomir Strecok at (814) 943-8553.

### OBLIGATIONS OF FAST & ABSTINENCE

- Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of Fast & Abstinence;
- All Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.
- Abstinence is no eating of meat or meat by-products; this obliges anyone 14 years of age or older.
- Fasting means having one main meal, no more than two lesser meals & no eating between meals; this obliges people between 18 and 59 years of age.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

You are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross. This can be done privately or publicly. Booklets will be placed at the end of the main aisle for private use. Communal Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 7:30 PM.

### LENTEN REGULATIONS AND TRADITIONS

Traditionally during Lent we are encouraged to participate with Prayer, Fasting and Alms-giving (Charity).

- Prayer can be qualitatively better or quantitatively more.
- Under the title of fasting, besides minimal regulations of fasting and abstinence, people are encouraged to give-up some consumption of food or activity.
- Charity can be personal helping or care of another or participation in some program of donation.

# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

**Birthdays:**

- March 6:** Cynthia Colledge
- March 7:** Robert Gallagher III + Lily Adams  
Max Kessinger
- March 9:** Alan Temofonte + Brad Brenneman
- March 10:** Donna Hoover + Brain McFee
- March 11:** Kenneth Puhatch + Thomas Luciano
- March 12:** Peggy Rimbeck + Ellie Adams +  
Wendy Waksmonski

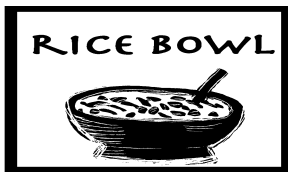
*Our prayers for ALL of you celebrating "special days." this week, is that God gives you His continued blessing.*

**WORD AMONG US**

Also **The Word Among Us** booklets will be available on the magazine rack in the Narthex. These meditation booklets can aid understanding of Lent and scripture.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL**

Our parish will take part in "Operation Rice Bowl." Materials for this will be available in the Narthex. This sacrificial collection benefits third world populations.



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**DIOCESE SPONSORING MEN'S CONFERENCE**

**Strength in Christ-Be Not Afraid**

An inspiring Catholic priest and a nationally recognized author will headline the 2023 Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Men's conference. **April 29, 2023**, from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at Mount Aloysius College in Cresson.

Registration is required by April 14. The cost is \$20 per person; \$10 for College and high school students. **Register online at dioceseaj.org.**

**WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT**

Deposits for the week of February 15 - 21, 2023:

Sunday Offertory Adults:	<b>\$ 2,432.72</b>
Sunday Offertory Students:	<b>\$ 3.26</b>
Monthly Collection:	<b>\$ 65.00</b>
Loose Collection:	<b>\$ 95.00</b>
Total Offertory:	<b>\$ 2,595.98</b>
Twin Parish Collection:	<b>\$ 45.00</b>
Christmas Club:	<b>\$ 518.00</b>
Votive Candles:	<b>\$ 22.00</b>
Student Subsidy:	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
Fish Fry #1:	<b>\$ 2,967.00</b>
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT:</b>	<b>\$ 6,172.98</b>

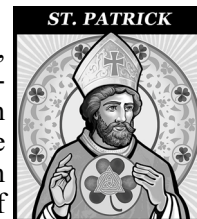
May God continue to bless you for your support of Saint Therese Parish and its programs.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

- Saturday, March 11, 2023:**  
5:00 PM FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY
- Sunday, March 12, 2023: 3rd Sunday of Lent**  
8:00 AM JAMES LUCIANO  
10:30 AM BRIAN KLINGER [Birthday] (Ken & Debbie Klinger & Family)

**SAINT PATRICK'S DAY**

The Most Rev. Mark L. Bartchak, Bishop of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, is granting a dispensation from the obligation of Catholics in the diocese to abstain from meat on **Friday, March 17, 2023**, the Feast of Saint Patrick.



Bishop Bartchak requests that any Catholic in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown who chooses to accept this dispensation should perform some other act of penance in its place. The choice of such penance is to be determined by the individual. The Bishop recommends that the penance reflect the spirit of Lent, that is, acts of prayer or charity to the poor.

Catholics who choose to observe the traditional Lenten abstinence from meat on that day are not required to perform any other penitential acts.

Saint Patrick is credited with bringing Christianity to the people of Ireland and is the patron saint of that country. His feast day is one of celebration in the Catholic Church and throughout secular culture.

**LITURGICAL + ROLES**

**MARCH 11 & 12, 2023**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

- 5:00 PM Makayla Silver
- 8:00 AM Edith Manfred
- 10:30 AM Kayla Blough

**READERS**

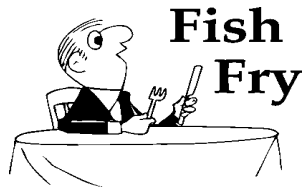
- 5:00 PM Rosalie Dickson
- 8:00 AM Heidi Manfred
- 10:30 AM Andre McCarville, R. Thomas Forr

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

- 5:00 PM Kathleen Laporte
- 8:00 AM Kimberly Eppers
- 10:30 AM Deacon Thomas McFee

**GREETERS/USHERS**

- 5:00 PM David Mason, Theresa Plunket
- 8:00 AM Robert Gallagher Jr, Kenneth Klinger
- 10:30 AM Marita Forr, James Greco, Diane Hite, Paul Hite



**LENTEN FISH FRY**

St. Therese of the Child Jesus Parish  
Father Kelley Hall  
(25th AVE & 5th ST)

Fridays during Lent  
**March 10, 17, 24 & 31**  
4:00 PM until 7:00 PM (or until fish runs out)

Baked or Fried Fish  
Macaroni & Cheese or French Fries  
Stewed Tomatoes  
Cole Slaw OR Apple Sauce  
Roll/Butter, Dessert (cookies or brownies)

**TAKE-OUTS ONLY**

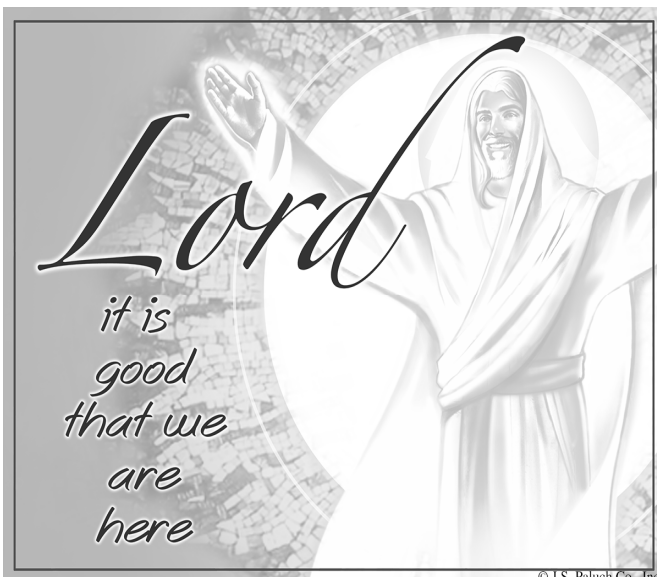
**Pick-ups:**

**CURBSIDE TAKE-OUTS** along 5th Street

**CALL-IN PRE-ORDERS** along Alley beside Hall

(814) 650-0734 or (814) 537-0640

**Meals Cost: \$14.00**



**UPDATE YOUR PARISH CENSUS**

If you have moved recently, changed your phone number or have had a change in your household (Ex: A child no longer living at home) please fill out the attached form to have your census updated.

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Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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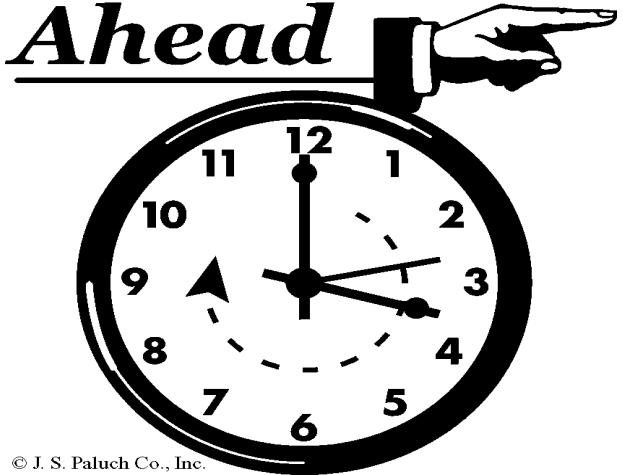
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**CLIP & DEPOSIT IN SUNDAY COLLECTION**

***Set Clocks Ahead***



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**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS!**

Sunday, March 12, Daylight Savings Time begins at 2:00 AM. Before retiring for the night on Saturday, March 11, be sure to turn your clocks **AHEAD** one hour.

**CHANGES TO BULLETIN**

As of February 26, 2023, J. S. Paluch will no longer provide our bulletins. We are in the process of locating another printing company at this time. Our bulletin will now be available only through our website at: **Sstheresealtoona.com**