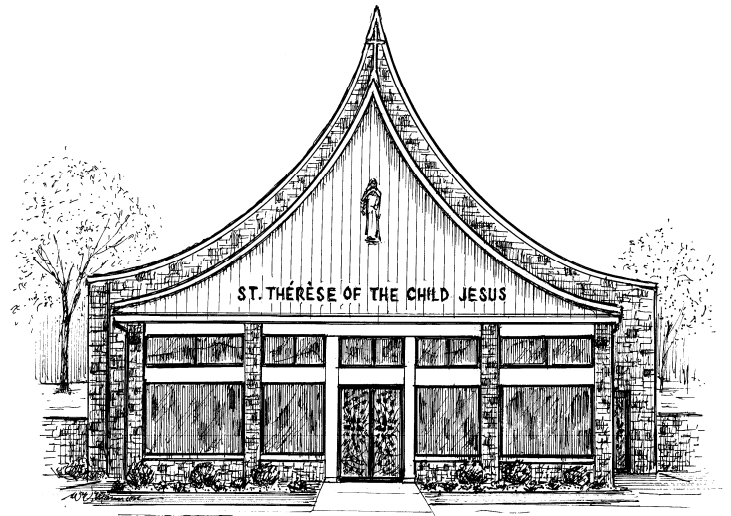


Saint Therese of the Child Jesus



Deacon Thomas McFee,
Administrator
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

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Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Thursday, at 8:00 AM,
Wednesday at 9:00 AM, until further notice.

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.

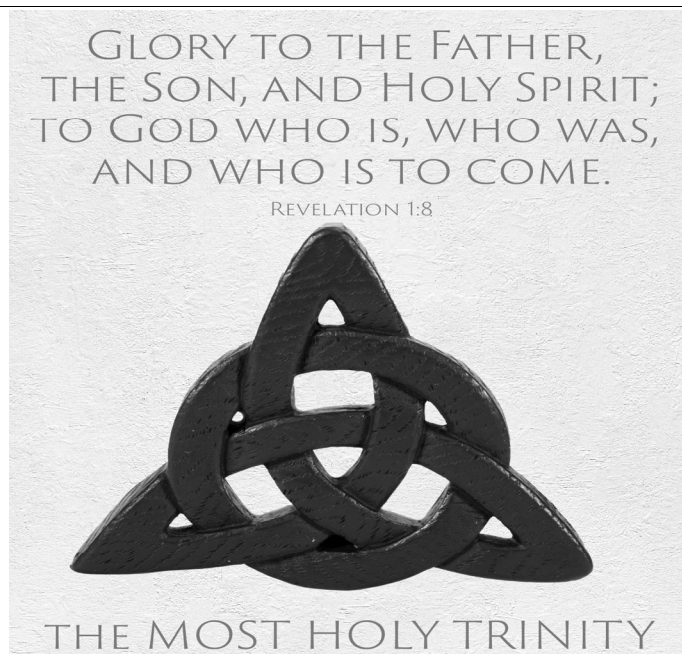
Weddings: Weddings are to be scheduled at least six (6) months in advance and should precede any other arrangements for the wedding. All Wedding liturgies are scheduled so as not to conflict with regularly scheduled parish liturgies. All Diocesan directives and regulations for Marriage preparation (FOCCUS,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

**COMMEMORATE 80 YEARS OF D-DAY TOUR**

Join Friendly Traveler's from **August 19-28, 2024**, on a tour to commemorate 80 years of D-Day. We will begin in London and follow the troops to Portsmouth, ride across the English Channel, to Normandy Beaches and then on to Paris! A Seine River cruise is included. A presentation will be scheduled for this summer. For more information contact:

Alice Sturm at 814-312-0156 or
Mary Jo Moloney at 814-946-5325

THE SPIRIT'S ACTIVE POWER

The mystery of the Trinity refers to one God in three persons. We frequently acknowledge Jesus as "the second person of the Trinity," but referring also to the Spirit as a "person" comes less naturally. In religious art, the Holy Spirit often appears as a dove or, as in today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles, tongues of fire. Much rarer are images of the Spirit as a "person" in recognizable human form. Today's readings do not settle the issue of how to picture the Spirit, but they certainly give shape to the Spirit's active power in the world and in each human heart. In Acts, the Spirit enables people to speak and understand a variety of languages. Paul's letter to the Corinthians praises the Spirit for all kinds of spiritual gifts, services, and "workings." Finally, in John's Gospel, Jesus calls the Spirit our Advocate and our divine teacher.

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FATHER'S DAY MASS INTENTIONS

Father's Day Mass Intentions cards are available in the Narthex and are due back prior to Fathers Day June 18.

BABY BOTTLES

Please return Presious Life Baby Bottles by Father's Day.



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BOSCOV'S FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS EVENT

Donate \$5.00 and get a Shopping pass. You will save 25% off lowest ticketed price at all Boscov's stores on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, from 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM.

The Friends Helping Friends fundraising event is a day to enjoy great shopping, super savings and the chance to help thousands of charitable organizations at 49 Boscovs stores.

Shopping passes will be sold in the Narthex after masses and in the office. Proceeds will benefit St. Therese.

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: \$21,610.00
Donations: \$13,855.00
Our remaining goal: \$ 7,755.00

We are at 64% of our goal with 60 donations.

All contributions received beyond our parish target will be used for our church projects, such as Hall air conditioning, new school roof and Church air conditioning.

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

HEAVEN-MADE

I have been made for heaven and heaven for me.

—St. Joseph Cafasso

FREE MINISTRY TO TRAVELING CATHOLIC

For nationwide Mass times and locations:

Internet www.Masstimes.org OR call 1-410-676-6000.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays:

- June 4:** Anthony McKinney
- June 5:** Angelyn Adams + Marie Long + Neil Benton
- June 6:** Linda Ziance + Jennifer Cassanave
- June 7:** Mark Myers
- June 8:** Michael Hawksworth + Michaela Clapper
- June 9:** Elizabeth Tittler + Connor Blough
- June 10:** Kaitlyn George + Elaine Smithmyer

Anniversaries:

- June 4, 1966:** Paul & Dianne Hite
- June 5, 2021:** Colleen Kelly & Bradley Betar
- June 6, 1970:** Carol & Rickey MacIntyre
- June 7, 1975:** Donald Jr. & Kristine Hennaman
- June 8, 1996:** Mark & Michele Charlton
- June 10, 2017:** Matthew & Natalie Miller

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

COMING IN AUGUST



ST. THERESE YARD SALE!!!
 Look for more information in upcoming bulletins!

WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT

Deposits for the week of May 25 to 31, 2023:

Sunday Offertory Adults:	\$ 2,209.00
Sunday Offertory Students:	\$ 3.00
Loose Collection:	\$ 66.25
Total Offertory:	\$ 2,278.25
Twin Parish Collection:	\$ 145.00
Christmas Club:	\$ 1,343.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 17.00
Hall Rentals:	\$ 445.00
Ascension:	\$ 20.00
Father's Day:	\$ 20.00
Catholic Communications:	\$ 5.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT:	\$ 4,273.25

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, June 6, 2023: St. Boniface
 8:00 AM J. PHILIP HALL (Paula Hall)

Thursday, June 8, 2023:
 8:00 AM **MARY PLASKO** [Anniversary 6/7]
 (Margaret Bakale)

Saturday, June 10, 2023:
 5:00 PM **MARGARET BROADRICK** (George Koeck)
 Moved from 2/16/23

Sunday, June 11, 2023: Holy Body & Blood
 8:00 AM **DONNA MCCONNELL** (St. Therese Conf. of St. Vincent DePaul)
 Moved from 2/17/23
 10:30 AM **VAL PRESTON** (Wife)
 Moved from 2/23/23



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LITURGICAL + ROLES

JUNE 10 & 11, 2023

ALTAR SERVERS

- 5:00 PM Makayla Silver
- 8:00 AM Michaela Etters
- 10:30 AM Ellie Kauffman, Samuel Kauffman

READERS

- 5:00 PM Barbara Fagan
- 8:00 AM John Bravin
- 10:30 AM Alice Sturm, James Greco

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- 5:00 PM Deacon Thomas McFee, VOLUNTEER, VOLUNTEER
- 8:00 AM Deacon Thomas McFee. Kimberly Etters, VOLUNTEER
- 10:30 AM Deacon Thomas McFee, VOLUNTEER, VOLUNTEER

GREETERS/USHERS

- 5:00 PM Rosalie Dickson, Theresa Plunket
- 8:00 AM Robert Gallagher, Jr., Kenneth Klinger
- 10:30 AM Raymond Kauffman, Jr., Mary Kauffman



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

The Most Holy Trinity

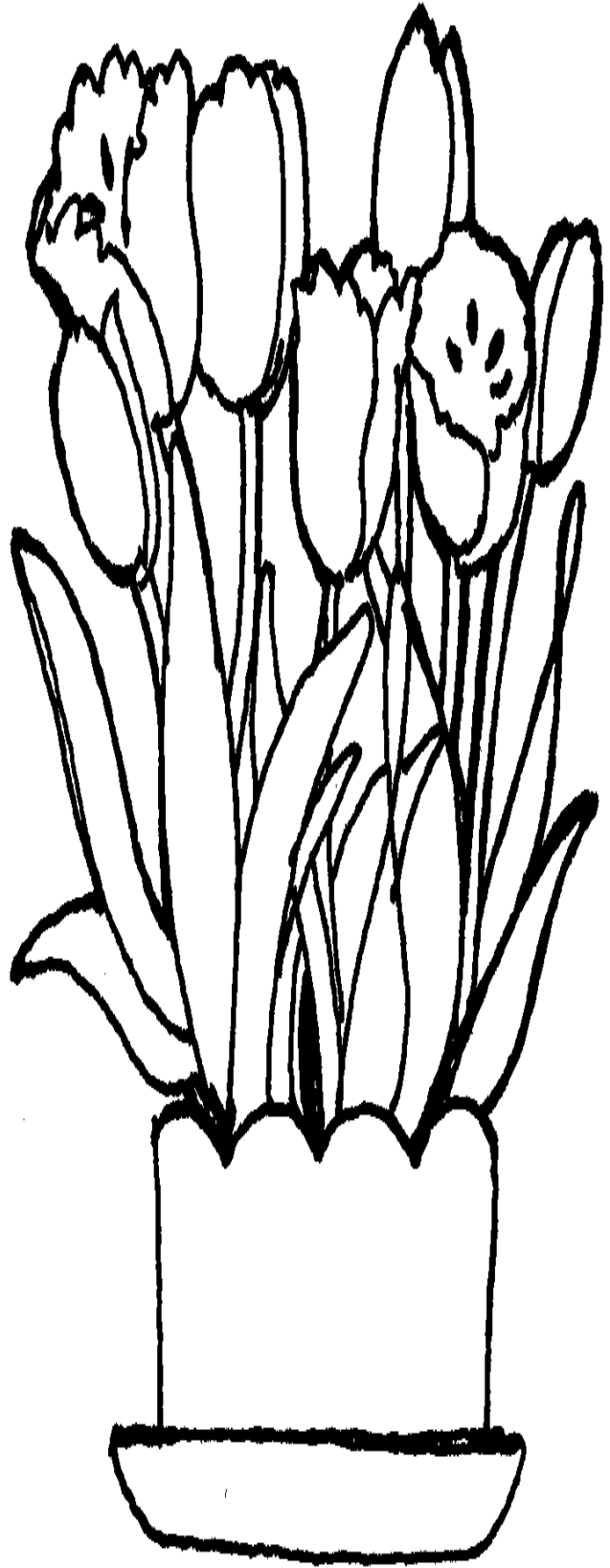
God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How do I profess my faith in the Trinity in my daily life?

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GETTING TO KNOW THE TRINITY

As if his own life, his teachings about God's love, his miracles, his death and resurrection were not enough, Jesus told us something about God that we never would have imagined: There are three Persons in one God. It is also something we cannot completely comprehend. So instead of trying to explain it, let's look at what it means for us believers. One thing it shows is that God wants to be known by us. In ancient times, people would expect their gods to be mysterious and hidden. Many cultures thought that you could control a spirit or god if you knew its name. God sees us not as a threat, but as beloved children. Just as a couple falling in love wants to know everything about each other, so God wants to be known by those whom God loves. That leads to my second point. The Trinity also shows us that "God is love" (1 John 4:16) because the three Persons are united in one God. God calls us to be united in love with God and with each other. Remember that God knows us perfectly and still loves us. Yet knowing our weaknesses and our sins does not hurt God's love for us. On the contrary, our weaknesses allow God to help us by forgiving sins, or inspiring someone to come to our assistance. We may not be able to grasp the full meaning of the Holy Trinity, but knowing that God shares this with faithful people helps us to love God even more. —Tom Schmidt, Copyright © J.S. Paluch Co.