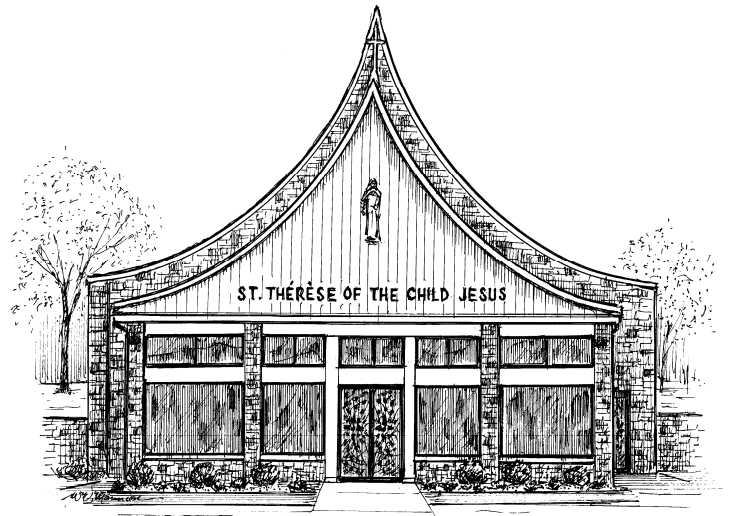


Saint Therese of the Child Jesus



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

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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.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38;
Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28
or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9;
Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3;
Jn 1:29-34

WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH

- Regular updating of your Weekly and Monthly contributions through the Sunday Collection.
- Donations through the Diocesan Ministries Drive especially after reaching our diocesan goal (these are good through December).
- “IGiveCatholic” is an annual donation to the parish throughout the year by way of the collection basket. These donations are not confined to November.

Early donations = \$ 725
Online donations = \$ 120
Continuing Donations = \$ 1,355
Matching Funds = \$ 2,195
Total \$ 4,395

- For long range giving, consider our Parish’s St. Therese Foundation fund. Visit the “Legacy Giving” web pages at www.icfoundation.us or call: (814) 201-2080.
- Our parish-family is facing a number of projects in the next few years, your considered assistance is and will be highly appreciated.

OUR SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
 Saint Therese of the Child Jesus Parish thanks
ENGLERT LEAF GUARD
 For sponsoring an advertisement in our weekly bulletin.

MONTHLY ROSARY

A Monthly Rosary for the Intention of Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life as well as for Pro-Life has started. **The Rosary will be prayed on the First Saturday of each month.**

Anyone is invited and will gather in church following the early Mass on Saturday morning). **The next date will be Saturday, February 4, 2023.**

PENN STATE ALTOONA CHAPEL

The Campus Chapel has Eucharistic Adoration every **Tuesday** from 12:30 PM to 1:15 PM. All are welcome to attend.

ST. VINCENT DePAUL UPDATE

With your continued support, we were able to deliver 14 “Blessing Boxes” to the homeless, containing snacks, toiletries, socks, gloves and microwaveable food items. Presently we are in need of snacks, mugs, socks, gloves, razors, body wash, deodorant, shaving gel/cream & toothbrushes. If you can donate any of these items, place them in the SVPD barrel in the Narthex. WE are no longer collecting bags for mats; those making balls, please return them to the Narthex; those with completed mats drop them off at the Narthex or the rectory. **THANK YOU** for your continued support in caring for the poor and homeless in our city.

MARCH FOR LIFE FUNDRAISER

CCHL of Blair County will hold a fundraiser in the Narthex on **January 14 & 15**, They will be selling either Precious Feet or Pro-Life ribbons to help with expenses for the March for Life on January 20. They avoided fundraising for the past two years due to Covid, although scaled down they continued their activities including going to the March. This year they are planning on taking two buses and are keeping charges to \$10.00 for students and \$15.00 for adults.

LOOKING FOR CANTORS

Anyone interested in being a cantor at Sunday Mass (esp. 10:30 AM) contact the rectory.

“HOLY MOMENTS”

Welcome Committee Christmas gifts of a “Holy Moments” booklet are available in the Narthex.

SAVE AROUND COUPON BOOKLETS

“Save Around” Coupon booklets for 2023 are still available for sale at the rectory or in the Narthex for \$25.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays:

- January 9:** Willow Floyd
- January 11:** Eric Curfman + Tori VanKlaveren
- January 12:** Kelley George
- January 13:** David Hrzic + Cathy Chirdon + Earl Krug
- January 14:** Carolyn Coleman + Anna Kepner + Heidi Manfred + Nathan Patton
- January 15:** Kellie Craig

Birthday Correction: December 30 - Luca Lonero

Anniversaries:

January 13, 1973: Joseph & Miller

WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT

Deposits for the week of December 21 - 27, 2022:

Sunday Offertory Adults:	\$ 1,671.00
Sunday Offertory Students:	\$ 13.00
Monthly Collection:	\$ 670.00
Loose Collection:	\$ 160.50
Total Offertory:	\$ 2,514.50
Christmas Adult:	\$ 6,740.00
Christmas Students:	\$ 13.00
Christmas Loose:	\$ 160.50
Christmas Cresche:	\$ 20.00
	\$ 6,933.50
Twin Parish Collection:	\$ 30.00
Christmas Club:	\$ 197.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 37.00
Other Receipts:	\$ 166.28
HTCS Rent:	\$ 1,000.00
IGiveCatholic:	\$ 2,200.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT:	\$ 13,078.28

WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT

Deposits for the week of Dec. 28, 2022 - Jan. 3, 2023:

Sunday Offertory Adults:	\$ 2,578.00
Sunday Offertory Students:	\$ 3.00
Monthly Collection:	\$ 873.00
Loose Collection:	\$ 90.00
Total Offertory:	\$ 3,544.00
Twin Parish Collection:	\$ 25.00
Christmas Club:	\$ 426.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 27.00
Student Subsidy:	\$ 5.00
Add'l Christmas:	\$ 1,065.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ 607.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT:	\$ 5,699.00

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 9, 2023: Baptism of the Lord
7:45 AM SANDY COLEGROVE [Month's Mind]
(St. Therese Welcome Committee)

Tuesday, January 10, 2023:
7:45 AM ROSALIE MOORE (Tom Beckenrode & Family)

Wednesday, January 11, 2023:
9:00 AM MARY PLASKO [Birthday]
(Margaret Bakale)

Thursday, January 12, 2023:
7:45 AM JAMES LUCIANO (Paula Hall)

Friday, January 13, 2023: St. Hilary
7:45 AM JAMES TURIANO (M/M Tom Luciano)

Saturday, January 14, 2023:
8:00 AM MARGARET JOAN BROADRICK (Mark, Lisa & Grace Broadrick)

5:00 PM FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY
Sunday, January 15, 2023: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM JAMES J. HATCH [Anniversary]
(Patricia Hatch)

10:30 AM CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS (State Court)

CHURCH UNDECORATING FROM CHRISTMAS

Sunday, January 8, following the celebration of the final feast of Christmas, the **Epiphany of the Lord**, the "Un-decorating" of our Church will take place. Those who decorated the trees are invited to come and claim their decorations as well as committees and groups who put up the wreaths and garlands around the church. Once again we thank you for all your time and effort honoring our Infant Lord.

LITURGICAL ROLES

January 14 & 15, 2023

ALTAR SERVERS

- 5:00 PM Makayla Silver
- 8:00 AM Reuben Manfred
- 10:30 AM Cadence Carruthers

READERS

- 5:00 PM Barbara Fagan
- 8:00 AM Kathryn Millward
- 10:30 AM Patricia Forr, Andre McCarville

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- 5:00 PM Deacon Thomas McFee
- 8:00 AM John Bravin
- 10:30 AM Paulette Gresik

GREETERS/USHERS

- 5:00 PM Rosalie Dickson, Judith Wilkinson
- 8:00 AM Robert Gallagher Jr, Kenneth Klinger
- 10:30 AM Kristine Hennaman, Dana Boslet
Robert Chirdon, Cathy Chirdon