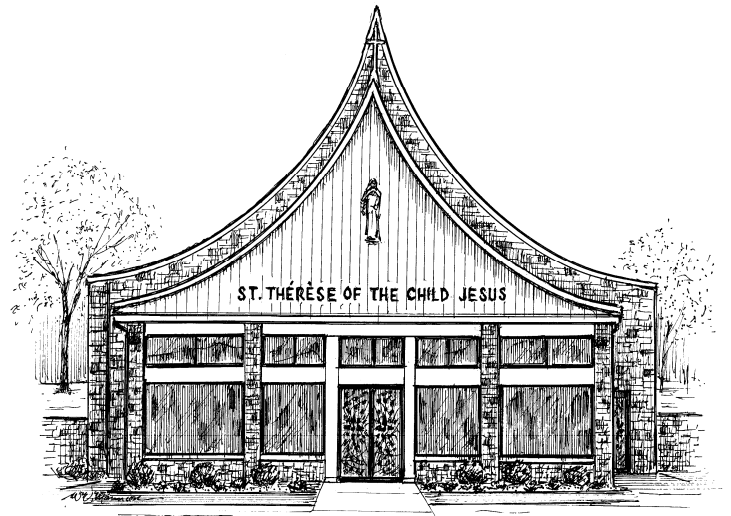


# Saint Therese of the Child Jesus



**Father Brian Norris**  
**Deacon Thomas McFee**  
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  
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**Weekday Masses:** Monday at 7:45. No mass on Tuesday. Thursday, Friday at 7:45 AM, Wednesday at 8:30 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 Catholic School, grades Pre-school through 5th grade, and Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School, grades 6th through 12th.

**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.



### Fourth Sunday of Lent March 10, 2024

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

— *John 3:17*

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;  
Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;  
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9;  
Jn 12:20-33

Alternate readings (Year A):

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;

Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE 2024

Our theme this year is ***“ENCOUNTERING CHRIST”***.

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 2024 Catholic Ministries Drive:

Target is: **\$21,294.00**

Pledged: **\$ 3,694.00**

Our remaining goal: **\$ 17,600.00**

So far we have received **\$2,894.00** of the pledged amount **\$3,694**.

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.

### 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.



### Lenten Penance Service Schedule:

- Saint Mary Parish, Altoona – 5:30 PM  
**March 10**
- Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel, Loretto – 7:00 PM  
**March 14**
- Saint Mark Parish, Altoona – 5:30 PM  
**March 16**
- St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Altoona 10:00 AM  
**March 18**
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Altoona – 7:00 PM  
**March 20**
- Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona– 6:00 PM  
**March 21**
- Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Altoona – 5:30 PM  
**March 24**
- Saint Mary Parish, Hollidaysburg – 4:00 PM  
**March 27**
- Our Lady of the Alleghenies Parish, Lilly – 6:00 PM



### LENTEN FISH FRY

St. Therese of the Child Jesus Parish

Father Kelley Hall (25th Ave & 5th St)  
Fridays during Lent.

February 16, 23 and March 1, 8, 15, 22  
4:00 PM until 7:00 PM or fish runs out.

A choice of Baked or Fried Fish  
Macaroni & Cheese or French Fries  
Stewed Tomatoes  
Cole Slaw or Apple Sauce  
Plus Dessert

EAT IN OR TAKE-OUT  
READY TO GO ORDERS call  
582-895-1741

Cost: \$14.00– per Dinner

### NIGHTS AT THE RACES

**Saturday, April 6, 2024**, at Holy Trinity-Eldorado Gym. Doors open at 5:30 PM, Dinner is at 6:00 PM, and Horse Races start at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$40.00 includes: food, drinks and one horse, jockey or trainer. Receive \$15.00 in family fundraising credit for each ticket sold under the student's name. Stay after the races for an “after hours” get-together! Kentucky derby dress attire is highly encouraged. Contact Holy Trinity at 814-942-7835 for information.

# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## Birthdays:

- March**
- 1:** Dylan Hench  
**3:** Jefferson Adams  
**6:** Henry Husted  
**7:** Michele Kennedy  
**11:** Thomas Luciano + Kenneth Puhatch  
**12:** Margaret Rimbeck  
**13:** Janet Durbin + Melissa Eckenrode + Danielle Hoover + Elsie Kessinger +  
**15:** Joseph Hasson + David McGreal  
**16:** Nichole Passarello + Karen Stoltz + Katlyn Vinglass  
**17:** Christina Clapper + Patricia Rose + Iwona Dorabiala + Robert Rutherford Eileen Zeak

## Anniversaries:

March 17, 2000: Paul Proudfit & Stacey Lynch

## BLANKETS FOR HOPE

Do you have extra yarn or fleece fabric just shoved in a closet somewhere? Perhaps you would consider donating it to Blankets for Hope. This is a National Honors Society project for Owen McCarville. He and a team will be making crochet and fleece blankets, then taking them to the Hope Drop-in Center right here in Altoona. They will be distributed to the homeless in need. Also, if you would be interested in helping to make a blanket you are most welcome. Please contact Owen McCarville at (412) 865-8349 with any questions. There will be a box in the narthex of the church where you can drop off any materials by April 7. Thank you very much in advance!

## WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT

Deposits for the week of February 21-27, 2024:

Sunday Offertory Adults:	\$ 3,456.00
Sunday Offertory Students:	\$ 5.00
Monthly Collection:	\$ 3,805.00
Loose Collection:	\$ 206.00
Total Offertory:	\$ 7,472.00
Twin Parish Collection:	\$ 75.00
Christmas Club:	\$ 328.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 31.00
Easter:	\$ 140.00
Ash Wednesday:	\$ 25.00
Catholic Relief :	\$ 100.00
Holy Land:	\$ 55.00
2nd Sunday:	\$ 420.00
Easter Flowers:	\$ 110.00
SVDP:	\$ 230.00
IGive Catholic:	\$ 50.00
Other Receipts:	\$ 2,744.62
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT:</b>	<b>\$ 11,775.62</b>

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, March 11, 2024:

7:45 AM ANDY DICKSON (Earl & Sandy Krug)

### Tuesday, March 12, 2024.:

7:45 AM **NO MASS**

### Wednesday, March 13, 2024:

8:30 AM FRANK J. RIMBECK (Margaret A. Rimbeck)

### Thursday, March 14, 2024:

7:45 AM MS. ROSALIE MOORE (Tom Eckenrode & Family)

### Friday, March 15, 2024:

7:45 AM LARRY SPROUSE (John & Jean Chirdon)

### Saturday, March 16, 2024:

8:00 AM VERONICA HEDDERMAN [Birthday] (Husband, Ed Kunes)

5:00 PM FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

### Sunday, March 17, 2024: 5th Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM JEAN GALLAGHER [Anniversary] (John & Gilda Kilcoyne)

10:30 AM FR. D. TIMOTHY GRIMME [Anniversary] (McCarville Family)

# LITURGICAL ROLES

## March 16th and 17th

### ALTAR SERVERS

5:00 PM Alana Cropsey

8:00 AM Abraham Manfred, Reuben Manfred

10:30 AM Ember McConnell,  
Maxwell Stahlman

### READERS

5:00 PM Barbara Fagan, Melvin Kepner

8:00 AM John Bravin, Kathryn Millward

10:30 AM R. Thomas Forr, Patricia Forr

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 PM Kathleen Leporte, Janet Durbin,  
Albert Schlecht

8:00 AM Mary Bravin, Kimberly Etters,  
Andrew Potopa

10:30 AM Eileen Porta, Cathy Chirdon,  
Deacon Thomas McFee

### GREETERS/USHERS

5:00 PM Janet Luciano, Dave Mason, Barbara Grimme, Leonard Haduck

8:00 AM Robert Gallagher, Jr., Robert Gallagher, III, Kenneth Klinger

10:30 AM Marita Forr, Diane Hite, Paul Hite, Kristine Hennaman



GOD  
GAVE  
HIS ONLY  
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TO SAVE  
THE WORLD