

Saint Therese Parish

120 Monroe Avenue • Cresskill, N.J. 07626

December 4, 2016 - Second Sunday of Advent

Served by the Carmelites

Pastor

Fr. Samuel Citero, O. Carm.

Deacon

Mr. Anthony Porcaro, T. O. Carm.

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Ms. Gina Marie Loiacono

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Director of Music & Liturgy

Mr. Adrian Soltys

Principal

Mrs. Therese A. Higgins

Assistant to the Principal

Mrs. Eileen Walsh

Business Manager

Ms. Sharon Rabbitt

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily 8:30 AM

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Holy Days Vigil 7:00 PM,

8:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM or by appointment. Please call the parish office.

Marriage

Please contact the parish office one year in advance.

Baptism

Please contact the parish office for our schedule of baptisms and instructional sessions.

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Please call the parish office for information.



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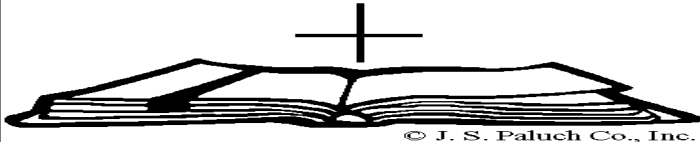
Academy of St. Therese
201-568-4296
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Confirmation &
Youth/Young Adult
Ministry
201-567-2528

St. Therese of Lisieux welcomes you!

Thank you for coming today! Whether you are just visiting or have recently moved to our area, we are happy that you joined us! Newcomers are invited to register at the Parish Office during regular business hours, Monday-Friday 9AM to Noon; 1PM to 5PM or visit us at www.stthereseccresskill.org.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY: DECEMBER 3

5PM Mary & John O'Brien, req. The Lupardi Family
 5PM John & Nancy Kearns, req. The Foley Family

SUNDAY: DECEMBER 4

7:30 For the People of the Parish
 9:30 Gerald Baschwitz, req. His wife, Jeanette
 9:30 Maus & Passano Families, req. The Passano Family
 11:30 Margaret & Francis Haggerty, req. Margaret & Dan Haggerty
 11:30 John Knox req. Mrs. Karach & Family

MONDAY: DECEMBER 5

8:30 Josefa (Pita) Torlucci, req. Deanna & Ernesto Mattera
 8:30 Joseph Levy, req. Timothy Semenoro

TUESDAY: DECEMBER 6

8:30 Joan Fitzgerald, req. John Lynch
 8:30 In Thanksgiving, req. Catherine Weir

WEDNESDAY: DECEMBER 7

8:30 Angela Deraco, req. The Deraco & Raspe Families
 8:30 Ed Duff, req. Mike Drumgoole
 Vigil 7PM Vivian D'Erasmus, req. Cresskill Garden Club
 Vigil 7PM John McNulty, req. Brenda McGagh

THURSDAY: DECEMBER 8 - IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

8:30 Loretta & Timothy Keegan, req. Helen & Jerry Keegan
 8:30 Anita Portelli, req. Edna Portelli
 NOON Gene Pagnozzi, req. Lois Pagnozzi & Family
 NOON Edward Rogovich, req. The Lora Family

FRIDAY: DECEMBER 9

8:30 Jack Bernice req. Gina Marie Loiacono
 8:30 Eleanor Vadderberg, req. The Passano Family

SATURDAY: DECEMBER 10

5PM Stephen Pease req. The Lupardi Family
 5PM John McNulty, req. Helen Ruis

SUNDAY: DECEMBER 11

7:30 For the People of the Parish
 9:30 Frank D'Andrea, req. The D'Andrea Family
 9:30 Ed Manke, req. His Wife, Kate
 11:30 Eileen Donovan, req. Aline McGrail
 11:30 Dec'd Members of the James & Anna Magnotta Families

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

CARMELO ABBRUZZESE	CHRIS LORA
LEONARD ABBRUZZESE	ELEANOR MARO
SARKIS ARSLANIAN	ANNE MARSIGLIANO
JOHN BABICH	DEBBIE MARTINI
VIRGINIA BARBAGALLO	TIMMY MC DONNELL
MANUEL BERRIOS	STEPHANIE MC NAMARA
CALVIN BROKAW	MICHAEL
ED BURKE	MICHELLE MULLEN
MARY CARLY	MARY ANN NASO
CHARLES CASTLE	MARY ANN OATES
SAM CITERO	JOSEPHINE PAPA
DIANE CUNNINGHAM	EDWARD PAUL
JACK CURTIN	GUS PEREZ
MATTHEW CURTIN	JOHN PESCH
DOLORES DE SANTI	MICHELLE PREOLO
JAMES DE STENO	BOB PRINCE, JR.
JIM DONNELLY	JESSIE RACYN
ELLEN DUNN	SR. CATHERINE REDDY
COSTINTINO FAUSTINI	RINA ROMANELLI
JOHN FLYNN	RALPH ROTUNDA
KATHLEEN FREEMAN	WENDY RUGGIERO
JOSEPH FRISCIA	BEVERLY SCHWAB
STEVIE GARCIA	JOANN SCIMANICO
KYLE GERAN	ELAINE SEMAN
PAT GERAN	CECILE SICARI
SEAN GONCI	DONNA SPINA
MICHELE GUERRA	RONALD THOMAS
DAN HAGGERTY	NORMAN TRASS
MAUREEN HALLENBECK	FRANK UVENIO
GLORIA IORIO	PATRICIA VICTORY
RAY KEIM	DOT WILLIAMS
ELLEN KEOHANE	AMANDA WILSON
SCOTT KUBRIN	
BILL LEE	

REST IN PEACE

For our loved ones who have died, especially Mary Diver and Garrett O'Sullivan, brother of Kathy Bradler, as well as all military men and women, that they may be at peace with God.

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of Vincent & Vivian D'Erasmus as donated by their daughters, Tina and Claudia.

SACRAMENTAL BREAD & WINE

The bread and wine offered at the masses this week is donated in loving memory of Gene Pagnozzi at the request of his wife, Lois and Family.

Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

The 2nd Sunday of Advent finds us in a new month, the last month of the year. There is a lot going on this month and we are going to have to be very disciplined if we want to maintain the spiritual dynamic of this liturgical season of Advent. The key, as in all things, is in keeping a balance. We need to do the things we need to do but we also need to remember that the gift we give ourselves is the quiet time we spend reflecting on the true meaning of this season.

Wednesday December 7th is the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Let us remember those who died that day and all those who have given their lives in service to our country. Thursday December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation. Please join us for Mass.

Remember that the cold and dark December days the ship that carries us to the great festival of lights celebrating the birth of Christ into the world. Stay warm, stay happy and be a source of God's joy for those around you.

With Love,

Fr. Sam

CHRISTMAS BELLS ARE RINGING



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Our yearly Christmas gift outreach to the children of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Jersey City and to the children and adults here in our Parish is ready to begin. Names of the children and adults available for the gift adoption program will be distributed at the main entrance located in the rear of our church after all masses December 3rd & 4th. All gifts must be **NEW, WRAPPED AND TAGGED** for the person you adopt. If the child you choose is age 13 or older, a gift card (for example—Target, Visa or American Express) for those “hard to ship for years” would be a most welcome gift choice. ***All gifts must be brought to church by Sunday, December 11th*** in order to have ample time for delivery.

If you wish to make a monetary donation please send it to the parish office at 200 Jefferson Avenue, Cresskill, NJ 07626 in an envelope marked “Christmas Outreach”. Finally, if you are unable to adopt a child but would still like to participate we will be happy to accept new and unwrapped gifts which will also be sent to Our Lady of Sorrows Parish. As always, your loving generosity is most gratefully appreciated. If you have any questions, call Nancy at 201-394-0713.

Thanks For Sharing Thanksgiving With Those Less Fortunate

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of our parish family who donated food/or monies to the annual Thanksgiving Outreach. Your generosity made it possible for us to feed over 60 families at our sister parish, Our Lady of Sorrows in Jersey City. We were also able to meet all the requests for assistance from within our own parish and those of surrounding area outreach programs. A very big thank you to all who helped collect, sort and pack up the food.



ADVENT PRAYER SERVICES

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As in the past, Taize Prayer will be celebrated every Tuesday of Advent at 7:30 PM. Join us for an evening of meditative prayer, song and reflection as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On Tuesday December 13th at 7:30pm along with our regularly scheduled Taize Prayer, parishioners from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Tenafly will join us for a communal penance service.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Our weekly goal	\$15,300.00
Week of November 20, 2016	
Regular	\$10,381.00
Assessment	\$ 525.00
Total	\$10,906.00
Catholic Relief	\$ 2,024.00
Week of November 27, 2016	
Regular	\$10,420.00
Assessment	\$ 348.00
Total	\$10,768.00
Cares	\$ 1,876.00

Please make all checks payable to St. Therese Church
 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY



<u>Christmas Eve</u>	<u>Christmas Day</u>
3:30pm Church	9:30am Church
3:30pm Gym	11:30am Church
6pm Church	
10pm Church	

You are invited to make a donation toward the Christmas trees, plants and wreaths which will be used to decorate our church this Christmas Season. Donations may be made in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. The suggested donation is \$10.00. Envelopes are available at the doors of the church.



MINISTER SCHEDULE

December 10th & 11th

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 PM	C. McConville, C.J. Schutte, R. Schutte, Z. Schutte, E. VanSteenbergh, T. Barzelatto
7:30 AM	M. Clark, P. DeVries, A. Diggins, J. Donnelly
9:30 AM	C. Manna, M. Millett, D. Millheim, A. Naso, E. Naso, M. Naso
11:30 AM	T. Glennon, M. Halabi, M. Hudick, D. Kelliher, S. L'Angiocola, M. Pasi

LECTORS

<i>December 7th - Immaculate Conception Vigil</i>	
7:00 PM	J. Leclercq
<i>December 8th -Immaculate Conception</i>	
8:30AM	Weekday Reader
NOON	J. Hebert

5:00 PM	L. Liebeskind, P. McConville
7:30 AM	N. Tauro
9:30 AM	N. Nilsen, R. Puglisi
11:30AM	F. Mladjenovic, A. Smith

SERVERS

5:00 PM.	Z. Cetera, D. Cetera
9:30 AM.	Z. Ben-Fredj, N. Poblete
11:30 AM	L. Carlesimo, B. Kiamue



Wednesday, December 14th at 5:30pm

Open to all HIGH SCHOOL TEENS!

Please RSVP by December 12th
youthministry@stthereseccskill.org

OR

Call: 201-567-2528

Meet in the *Spola Center* (above the church)

BRANCHES - HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

SAVE THE DATE: FEBRUARY 24th -26th

Ski Trip upstate New York

Special permission form & flyer required,
contact youthministry@stthereseccskill.org

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to the upcoming Holidays, there is an early transmission schedule for bulletin announcements for December. Please submit announcements as follows:

Bulletin for Sunday 12/25/16,
entries due by end of day 12/16/16.

Bulletin for Sunday 1/1/17,
Entries due by end of day 12/20/16.

Bulletin entries for all other weeks are due by end of day Tuesday for the following Sunday.

YOUTH MASS!



On Friday night, December 9th at 7:00pm, we will hold a special YOUTH MASS open to all those in 6th-12th grade! Fr. Sam will be the celebrant and all are welcome to bring their friends. Readings, music and a message geared towards the teens of today!

Be sure to spread the word!

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO ST. THERESE

Come meet Santa and his helpers
Saturday, **December 10th**

10AM to Noon

St. Therese School Gym

Hot Cocoa ~ Donuts ~ Treats & More!

For more information call Rob 201-403-5962.

Presented by the St. Therese Knights of Columbus



ASCPG

ASCPG is hosting a *Yankee Candle Sale* holiday fundraiser through December.

Information and flyers can be found at www.ascpg-lourdes.org or contact Rosemarie Flood at 201-387-7858. ASCPG is incredibly grateful for the support of our parishioners.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to today's second collection.

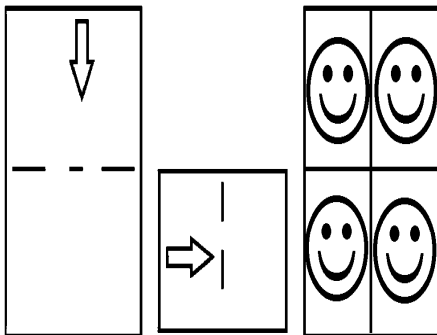


GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

Second Sunday of Advent Year A

Good Behavior Award

1. Fold a piece of paper in half and press down to crease the paper.
2. Fold the paper again in the other direction. It should now be about 4inx5in. Press down to make another crease in the paper.
3. Open the paper back up.
4. With adult supervision, cut along the creases. You will have 4 smaller pieces of paper.
5. Draw and color a big smiley face on each of the papers.
6. Whenever you see someone doing something nice for another person, give them a smiley face.



People came from all over to have John the Baptist baptize them in the Jordan River.

Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

Directions: Color the picture by using the color code.

B=Blue
G=Green
R=Red
Y=Yellow

