

St. Therese Rosary Altar Society Circle

Established in the year 2000, the ladies of the Saint Therese Circle have been serving our church community for over 25 years. Named in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux, she is popularly known simply as "The Little Flower" which was key in the formattable choice of the organization's name. Funds raised go primarily towards the beautification and upkeep of the grounds surrounding our Shrine and Prayer Garden which is located behind the main body of the church. We are dedicated to maintaining a beautiful and peaceful space for anyone to come and pray in a serene nature setting. Our current members are continuing the mission by facilitating the plot adoptions, chapel and grotto maintenance, stations upkeep and overall appearance.

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Mission Statement

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Ladies are welcome to join the organization anytime, please come to any meeting or events and meet the group, get involved and participate in as much or as little as your schedule permits.

Rest of 2026 Schedule:

9/24/26: meeting in PJP Room @ 6:30 pm

10/22/26: Social in Parish Life Center @ 6:00 pm

November member fun night @ 6:00 pm, date TBD

Officers

President: Judy Becker

Vice President:

Secretary: Deb Redlawski

Treasurer: Sue Restivo

Membership Coordinator: Margie Noirot

“Sonshine” Ministry Coordinator: Amy Boyers

Projects and Activities

Organizing and hosting the Annual Spring Fundraiser Event over Palm Sunday weekend gives our parish family a sense of unity and an opportunity to network while supporting our group's causes. Other revenues raised include strawberry sale in the early summer, assisting other parish organizations throughout the year, working the fair gates over Labor Day weekend along with ongoing product sales.

St. Therese Circle's Sonshine Program is a ministry which provides monthly special notes of encouragement mailed to our shut-ins, members who are on our prayer chain as well as those who are recuperating from illnesses. We also have prepared spiritual messages sent along with those delivering Holy Communion to our parishioners in need of reassurance that they are not forgotten but rather valued and they are truly loved by God and our church community.

The ladies started a program called “Fitness and Fellowship” on Tuesdays in the Parish Life Center beginning at 6:00 pm for an hour of cardio drumming along with support and socializing for all adults. We've had visitors from 16 different churches take part in the program which is continuing to grow. All are invited to come whenever your schedule permits, this free program runs from Fall to Spring with summers off. We hope to see you there!!

Every year in late October the St. Therese Circle hosts a festive and entertaining outing for all the ladies of the parish. We provide a lite dinner of delicious soups, salads and desserts and an evening of playing friendly games of Bunco with fabulous prizes which has been thoroughly enjoyed by all for many years now. This event is usually the 4th Thursday in October starting at 6:00 pm in the Parish Life Center. The event is free to all, we kindly suggest you bring items for the St. Vincent DePaul Pantry.

Novena to Saint Therese the Little Flower

O St. Therese of the Child of Jesus, who during your short life on earth became a mirror of angelic purity, of love strong as death, and of wholehearted abandonment to God.

Make my troubles your own, speak on the behalf to Our Lady Immaculate, who smiled on you at the dawn of life.

Beg her powerful intercession for the grace I yearn for so ardently at this moment, and that she joins with it a blessing that may strengthen me during life, defend me at the hour of death and lead me to a happy eternity. Amen.

O God, who did inflame with the spirit of Love, the soul of your servant Therese of the child Jesus, grant that we also may love and make You much loved. Amen.

