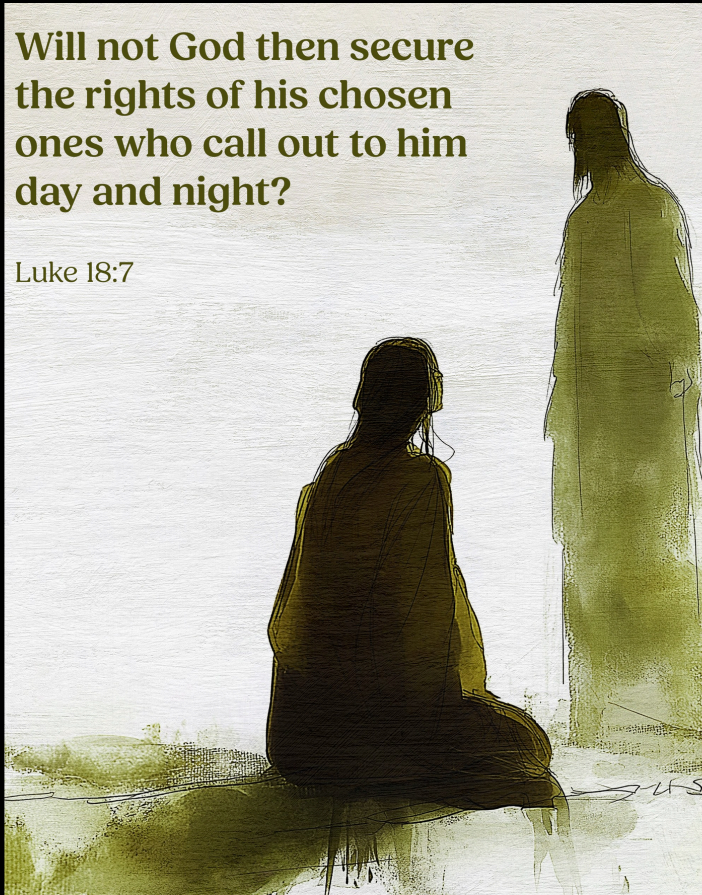


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Will not God then secure
the rights of his chosen
ones who call out to him
day and night?

Luke 18:7



St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Roman Catholic Church

**1408 Easton Road
Hellertown, PA 18055**

Rev. John Anthony Hutta II,
Parochial Administrator

Rev. Dr. John A. Krivak,
Pastor Emeritus

Deacon David K. Rohner

Mass and Confession Schedule

Monday through Friday, 8:00am Mass

First Saturday of the month, 8:00am
Mass

Saturday (Vigil Mass), 5:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am
Masses

Confessions heard Saturdays from
4:00pm - 4:30pm, and on First Fridays
from 12:00pm - 1:00pm

We are a Roman Catholic Family of Faith, centered in the Real Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, faithful to the Church's teachings, bringing the Light of Christ to each other and to our Community. St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish is consecrated to Our Lady of Fatima and Mary, Mother of the Church.



Dear Father John Anthony, Happy Pastor Appreciation Day! All of us at St. Theresa Preschool just want to say how grateful we are for you. Thank you for your kindness, your guidance, and the joy you bring to our parish and school community. Our children light up when you visit, and your prayers and support mean so much to all of us. We're truly blessed to have you leading our parish family with such warmth and faith. Please accept this photo as a token of our appreciation. With heartfelt thanks,

Many Monsbach and the St. Theresa Preschool Staff

What will YOU experience at the Centennial Celebration?



Joyous fellowship, a sharing of memories, and heartfelt gratitude for 100 years of God's blessings upon St. Theresa Parish.



Toasts to the next 100 years, with wine and beer from an open bar. *Cheers!*



A cocktail hour with a selection of hors d'oeuvres, and a deluxe buffet dinner consisting of carved prime rib au jus with horseradish cream, Chicken DeSales, roasted vegetable lasagna, smoked gouda and scallion mashed potatoes, sauteed green beans, and two premium desserts.

GROOVY
live music by
The Large Flowerheads



Don't miss out! Reservations must be made by October 24.

Tickets for the November 16 Centennial Dinner are \$50 per person. To reserve your ticket, please fill out the form below and drop it off at the rectory, along with a check made payable to St. Theresa Church, with 'Centennial' in the memo line. The form and payment may also be deposited in the collection basket.

I would like to attend the parish Centennial Celebration.

Name _____ #attending _____

Street Address _____

Phone number (Please indicate whether landline or mobile.) _____



St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish

Centennial Celebration

Sponsorship Opportunities

With praise and gratitude to Almighty God, the Parish of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus will honor its Patroness on Sunday, 16 November 2025, in celebration of our 100 year anniversary of the Catholic Church in Hellertown. We prayerfully ask you to consider sponsorship of this event and/or placement of a congratulatory ad in the Commemorative Program to be published for this most significant occasion.



Gold Sponsor \$1,500 ~ Full-page ad in Commemorative program ~ Personal ad or business logo on our website and bulletin ~Media recognition

Silver Sponsor \$1,000 ~Half-page ad in Commemorative program ~ Personal ad or business logo on our website and bulletin ~ ~Media recognition

Bronze Sponsor \$750 ~ Quarter page ad in Commemorative program ~ Personal ad or business logo on our website and bulletin ~ Media recognition

Patron \$500 ~ One-eighth of a page ad in Commemorative program ~ Personal ad or business logo on our website and bulletin ~ Media recognition

Shout-out \$250 - Three lines in Commemorative program. Share a memory of St. Theresa school, reminisce about a favorite priest or pastor, or describe the experience of belonging to St. Theresa Parish!

Disciple Donation of choice - Name listed in Commemorative program

Name / Business Name (to appear in program)_____

Sponsorship Level_____

Street address _____

City_____ State _____ Zip Code_____

Phone number (specify home, landline, cell)_____

Email address_____

Signature_____

*Please complete the form and drop it off at the rectory, along with a check made payable to St. Theresa Church, with '100th anniversary' in the memo line. The form and payment may also be deposited in the collection basket. Camera ready art (CMYK, pdf, tif, jpg, or png) file for ad submission may be emailed to **theresaofjesus1925@gmail.com***

*Sponsorship forms, payment, and files must be received by **Friday, October 31.***





May the faithful departed rest in peace...

All Souls' Day, celebrated on November 2nd in our Holy Church, holds great significance as a day to remember and pray for the Faithful Departed. This solemn occasion allows us to offer prayers, Masses, and other devotions for the souls of those who have died. By praying for the Faithful Departed, we seek to alleviate the suffering of these souls and hasten their journey to eternal rest. This act of intercession reflects the Church's deep commitment to the communion of saints and the belief in the power of prayer to help those who have gone before us.



"AS WE ENTER HEAVEN, WE WILL SEE THEM, SO MANY OF THEM,
COMING TOWARDS US AND THANKING US.
WE WILL ASK WHO THEY ARE, AND THEY WILL SAY
'A POOR SOUL YOU PRAYED FOR IN PURGATORY.'"

-VEN. FULTON J. SHEEN-



Please be sure to write the names of your departed loved ones on the All Souls' Day Remembrance envelope that was included in your envelope packet. Those individuals will be remembered in Masses celebrated here at St. Theresa Parish the weekend of November 1-2.

Did you know? There is no more effective means of helping the souls in purgatory than by offering Mass and receiving Holy Communion for them.

The offering of Masses for the dead belongs to the corporal work of mercy we call "burying the dead." The donation given for a Mass to be offered for a loved one is not only a sign of one's love but also has practical effects, since the donation helps provide for the needs of the parish. All these offerings are united to the offering of Christ in the Mass: Our love is joined to His and is made powerful because it is offered in Him.



Light Candles for Your Loved Ones

Beginning November 1st, the Feast of All Souls, St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish will offer Masses for the Faithful Departed for the entire month of November. If you would like a candle or candles lit and placed in the sanctuary in memory of your departed loved one(s), please complete the form below. Include the names of those for whom you would like to have candles offered, plus a \$20 donation per candle to help cover the cost of the candles and to support the parish St. Theresa Memorial Fund.

All the members of our parish community are encouraged to participate in All Souls' Day Masses and pray for the souls of departed loved ones. Candles offered by means of the form provided will remain lit throughout all Masses the weekend of November 1-2. The candles may be taken home after the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, November 2.

"In heaven, we shall enjoy, not only the divine society of God, but also the society of Mary, of Joseph, of the Angels - especially of our Guardian Angel - of the Elect, and in particular of all those dear and near ones whom we loved on earth and who, like ourselves, persevered to the end and saved their souls. Have we ever thought how delightful it will be to gaze again on a mother's face that has long since vanished from our sight? To look once more into those eyes which were the first we looked into in this world - of which the poet has written: 'Baby has no skies but mother's eyes,' those mother's eyes that never ceased to follow us in life, through good and evil days, through the sunshine and the dark, through the tortuous paths and the straight, till they were closed in death? To see that countenance again with the motherhood of it now illumined with the vision of God? Surely this alone will be no 'little bit of heaven.' John Carr, CSSR

On the lines below, please write the names of those individuals for whom you would like candles to be offered. One name per line, please. **Be sure to print clearly. Please do not write in script.** Kindly enclose the form, plus a donation of \$20 per candle, in an envelope and drop the envelope into the Sunday collection.

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Parish Calendar

Sunday, October 19

No meetings or events scheduled.

Monday, October 20

Boy Scouts, Friendship Hall, 7:00pm

CGS Lvl. 1, Church LL, 9:45 - 11:45

OCIA, Rectory Library, 7:00pm

Tuesday, October 21

Carmelite formation, Parish Center, 2:30pm - 5:00pm

Prayer Goup, School bldg., 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration, Church, 6:00pm -

7:00pm. *Note: Confessions will not be heard.*

Grief Support, Parish Center, 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Wednesday, October 22

PREP 1-6, School, 4:30pm - 5:45pm

Preschool fundraiser at Boscov's, 8:00am - 11:00pm

Thursday, October 23

No Eucharistic Adoration / Confession

PREP 7-8, Parish Center, 6:30pm - 7:45pm

CGS Lvl. 2, Church LL, 1:00-3:00; 4:30-6:30

CGS Lvl. 1, Church LL, 9:45 - 11:45

Choir practice, Church, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Friday, October 24

No meetings or events scheduled.

Saturday, October 25

No meetings or events scheduled.

Sunday, October 26

No meetings or events scheduled.

Mass Intentions: October 19 - October 26

Sunday, October 19 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm (Sat.) - Charlotte Roman (Brother, Richard)

8:00am - Edward Boris (Terri Zakocs)

9:30am - Frank Walsh (Peggy Laubach)

11:00am - Hilda Glovas, 90th birthday (Family)

Monday, October 20 - St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

8:00am - Linda and Bobby Cabrera (Monica Cabrera)

Tuesday, October 21 - Weekday

8:00am - Margaret and Stephen Petrino (Dull family)

Wednesday, October 22 - St. John Paul II, Pope

8:00am - Yogi and Michael Baier (Mom, Frances)

Thursday, October 23 - St. John of Capistrano, Priest

8:00am - Margaret Petrino (Debbie & Ron Petrino)

Friday, October 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

8:00am - Sr. Anita Patrick Gallagher, I.H.M.

(Very Rev. Jerome Tauber)

Saturday, October 25 - Weekday

No 8:00am

Sunday, October 26 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm (Sat.) - Frank and Bernice Wilk (Janice McKellin)

8:00am - Delbert Reiman (Dean & Angela Reiman)

9:30am - Janina Ostrowska Grzegolka (Joan & Jeff)

11:00am - Joseph Matacavage (Daughter & family)



Diocesan Blood Drive

Miller-Keystone Blood Center and the Diocese of Allentown are teaming up to host a diocese-wide blood drive in honor of St. Januarius, the patron saint of blood banks. Parishioners are encouraged to donate blood at one of MKBC's donor centers from September 19, the feast of St. Januarius, through December 16, one of the dates on which St. Januarius' blood miraculously liquefies.

All donors who provide their parish's Sponsor Code at the time of their appointment will receive their choice of either a St. Januarius medallion blessed by Bishop Schlert, or a St. Januarius prayer card. To schedule an appointment, go to www.giveapint.org/event/januarius-blood-drive/ or call 800-223-6667 ext. 2.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule for October 25/26 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS TIME	LECTOR	EEM	ALTAR SERVER
5:00pm Saturday	Janice Sodemann	Janice Sodemann	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
8:00am Sunday	Lisa Albitz	Deacon Dave	Isaac & Samuel Smith
9:30am Sunday	Priscilla Dole	Carol Krakowski	Nikolas & Daniela Tomic
11:00am Sunday	Maria Jones	Maria Jones	Greg Jones

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Autumnfest 2025: "It's Time for Nut Rolls"

Make check payable to St. Theresa Ladies Guild.
Mark memo line and envelope NUT ROLL SALE and drop it in the Sunday collection basket by October 26 or mail to parish office: St. Theresa Parish, 1408 Easton Road, Hellertown, PA 18055

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Walnut _____ X \$18 = _____

Poppyseed _____ X \$18 = _____

Apricot _____ X \$18 = _____

Lekvar _____ X \$18 = _____

Seedless Red Raspberry _____ X \$18 = _____

Pumpkin Cheese _____ X \$18 = _____

Total # of rolls _____ X \$18 = _____

Check # _____ Cash \$ _____

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish is seeking a part-time parish custodian to assist with the general upkeep and maintenance of buildings and grounds.



Qualifications include experience in building maintenance and repair; ability to work independently and with others; must be trustworthy, dependable, respectful of parish environment; must pass background checks in accordance with Diocesan Safe Environment policies. Hours per week, 20 or fewer (with flexible scheduling). To apply, please call the rectory at (610) 838-7045 or email sttheresacj@gmail.com.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY.

HAVE YOU SAID YOUR ROSARY TODAY?

Autumnfest 2025

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish
1408 Easton Rd., Hellertown

Saturday, November 8, 9:00am - 2:00pm

Sunday, November 9, 8:30am - 1:00pm

Theme Basket Raffle
Bake Sale, Nut Rolls, Special Ticket Items

Visit Santa Saturday and Sunday,
10:00am - 1:00pm

Lunch on Saturday and Sunday:
Halupki, Cabbage & Noodles, BBQ, Pizza,
Homemade Soup, Hot Dogs, Desserts
Sunday: Bagels, Donuts, and Lunch items

Parishioners!

The Ladies Guild is looking for donated baked goods to be sold at Autumnfest. Please bring the goodies to the school on Friday 11/8 between 6:00pm and 8:00pm or on Saturday 11/9 between 9:00am and 1:00pm.



THE ST. THERESA PARISH PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday, October 21
7:00pm - 8:30pm
in the school building



Our prayer group will be celebrating the gifts of the Holy Spirit through praise, worship, Scripture, and prayer. For information, call Jeff at 610-217-1739.

St. Theresa Preschool is selling
Bosco's "Friends Helping Friends"
25% off Shopping Passes

Passes cost \$5 each and are available at both the preschool and the rectory. The shopping event will take place Tuesday, October 22 from 8:00am to 11:00pm.

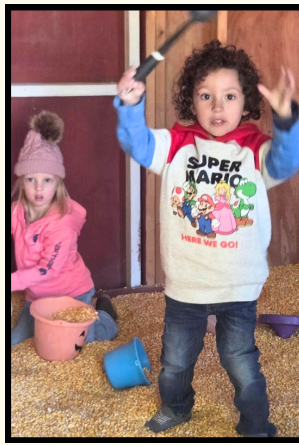
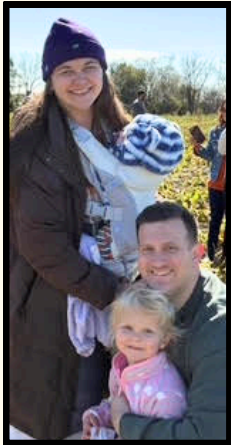
St Theresa's Bus Trip to the
Christmas Show
Hunterdon Hills Playhouse
Thursday, November 20

\$130 includes bus transportation, show, and meal. For information, call Nancy: 610-360-3738.

This week at St. Theresa Preschool



We had a great trip to Unangst Tree Farms!



We loved the hayride, corn maze, and goats,
🎃 and we learned all about pumpkins! 🎃



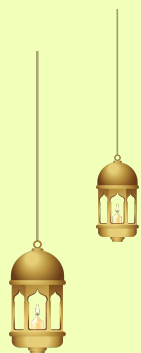
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Come to a **Healing and Deliverance Service**, Tuesday, November 11, 6:00pm-9:00pm at St. Thomas More Church, Allentown. Leading the service will be Fr. Dominic Valanmanal, a world-renowned priest with the charisms of healing and deliverance. Admission is free. Call 610-433-7413.



The St. Theresa Parish Divine Mercy Cenacle will meet in the church on Monday, October 20 at 7:00pm. For more information, please call Felicia Wallach at 610-442-2247.

Devotional Candles for the Week of October 19



St. Joseph Candle
Charlie and Erika Kirk
(offered by Eleana Melega)

St. Theresa Candle
Sr. E. Therese Paull, I.H.M.
(offered by Rose Kach)

BVM Candle
Kay and Ed Boris
(offered by Terri & Bill Zakocs)

Sanctuary Candle
Marie Braxmeier
(offered by Barbara Bartholomew)



Women's Advent Retreat

Saturday, December 13
8:30am - 1:00pm

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
1046 W Cedar St., Allentown

The Bishop's Commission for Women invites all women of the Diocese to a peaceful day of community, prayer, and reflection. Come, in this Jubilee Year of Hope, and rediscover your identity as a bearer of light in a world of darkness.

**GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE OUR VERY OWN
FR. JOHN ANTHONY HUTTA!**

Space is limited, so register today:
www.allentowndiocese.org/catholic-life/resources-women/womens-advent-retreat-2025



The collection total for October 11/12 is \$7993.
Thank you for your generosity.

Would you like to join St. Theresa Parish?
Our Family of Faith welcomes you!
Please call 610-838-7045 for info.



We the Living: There is Healing and Hope

The St. Theresa Grief Support Group meets Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the rectory library. We offer educational support and emotional and spiritual healing. Meeting dates are October 21 and 28. Call Miriam at 610-442-0947.



The Good Samaritan Society offers short-term help to those in need. If you or someone you know needs help, confidential assistance is available. Please call 610-509-5863.

The Good Samaritan Society gratefully accepts monetary contributions and grocery donations.

Collection boxes for pantry items are in the stairwells flanking the church vestibule.

Please do not donate expired goods.

The Society is in need of the following items:

Paper towels, napkins, juice, boxed milk, snacks, chicken/beef broth, laundry detergent

Checks may be made payable to St. Theresa Church, with "FBO Good Samaritan Society" in the memo line.

Holiday Bazaar

Holy Family Parish Center
508 West Center St., Nazareth

Saturday, October 25, 8:00am - 2:00pm
Sunday, October 26, 8:00am - 1:00pm

Tricky Tray, "Nice as New" gifts and jewelry, quilts and cash raffles, prizes, food, and fun



OCIA is a program that introduces prospective converts to Catholic beliefs and practices. For more information, please call the rectory.

Bethlehem Catholic High School

OPEN HOUSE

Where Every Hawk Soars!

Sunday, November 9th
2:00 PM-4:00 PM

RECTORY OFFICE: 610-838-7045

EMAIL: sttheresacj@gmail.com

WEBSITE: www.sttheresaotcj.org

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP)

EMAIL: PREPsttheresacj@gmail.com

PREP OFFICE: 610-838-1020

ST. THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS PRESCHOOL

DIRECTOR: Mrs. Mary J. Morsbach

PRESCHOOL OFFICE: 610-838-8161

secretary@stsprekhellertown.com

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DIOCESAN COORDINATOR: Ms. Wendy Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC

VICTIM ASSISTANCE HOTLINE: 1-800-791-9209

EMAIL: victimsassistance@allentowndiocese.org

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DIOCESAN COORDINATOR: Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS

TELEPHONE: 610-871-5200, ext. 2204

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CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please visit www.ReportBishopAbuse.org OR call 800-276-1562.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 4:00pm - 4:30pm; First Fridays, 12:00pm - 1:00pm.

DEVOTIONS

FIRST FRIDAYS: 7:30am recitation of prayers to the Sacred Heart followed by 8:00am Mass. Confessions are heard after Mass.

FIRST SATURDAYS: 7:30am rosary recitation followed by 8:00am Mass. Confessions are heard after Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Tuesdays, 6:00pm - 7:00pm

ROSARY will be prayed every weekday in the church immediately following the 8:00am Mass.

ENROLLMENTS AND CANDLES

ST. THERESA MEMORIAL ENROLLMENT: For deceased loved ones, a monthly Mass is offered. Suggested offering \$25.

LITTLE FLOWER SOCIETY ENROLLMENT: To commemorate a special occasion, enrollees are remembered in a monthly Mass. Suggested offering \$15.

The Sanctuary, St. Joseph, Blessed Virgin Mary, and St. Theresa candles may be lighted for the deceased and for the intentions of the living. Suggested offering \$10.

HOSPITAL VISITS: On being admitted to any area hospital, please notify the Rectory Office and provide the hospital with our parish code, which is #177. Pastoral services cannot be obtained without the patient's explicit authorization.

ANointING OF THE SICK: To arrange for the Anointing of the Sick, please call 610-838-7045, day or night.

COMMUNION CALLS: To arrange for Holy Communion to be brought to the ill or homebound, please contact Bob Martin. Call (732)589-1168 or email Gman3700@aol.com.

WEDDINGS: Engaged couples should make arrangements at least one year in advance of their wedding date. A marriage preparation program must be completed at least six months before the wedding.

BAPTISMS: Parents who desire baptism for their child(ren) are asked to call the rectory at 610-838-7045.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION for ADULTS

Please call the rectory: 610-838-7045.

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