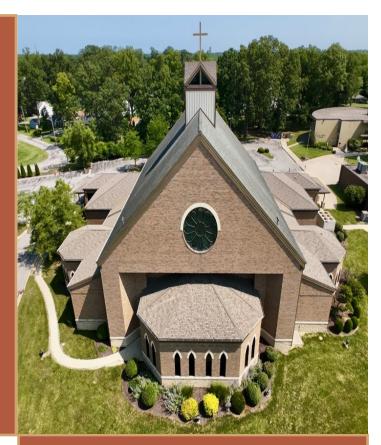
September 7, 2025

# St. Therese Catholic Church

Our Mission is to Pursue the Way to Lo Even the Little Things with Great Love!



#### Visitors!

Welcome to St. Therese Catholic Church . St. Therese established its roots over 70 years ago, when Father Herman Schoudel was assigned on Nov. 13, 1946, to begin plans for a parish that was to be located in Waynedale.

Please see our ushers if you are in need of assistance.

Restrooms are located on the right side of the church.

Information is located on the back table in the gathering space.

All Exits are marked.

#### Ministries

- Knights of Columbus
- Saint Vincent De Paul Society
- Flame of Love Cenacle
- Children's Liturgy
- St. Therese United for Life
- Men's Group
- St. Dymphna's Refuge
- Music Ministries
- Religious Education
- Youth Groups/Knights of the Holy Temple

#### Get in touch with us!

Phone 260-747-9139
2304 Lower Huntington Rd
Fort Wayne, IN 46819
secretary@sttheresefw.org
Website: www.sttheresefw.org

Father Glenn Kohrman
Pastor

Catechist Sisters of St. Ann in India

Sr. Sangeetha Udumala

Sr. Roja Kondala

Sr. Dumala Rama Jyothi

Max Ortega Deacon

### **Mass Times**

Saturday 4:30 pm Sunday 8:00 am and 10:30 am Tuesday/Thursday 5:30 pm Monday/Wednesday/Friday 8:00 am 1st Friday of the Month 5:30 pm 1st Saturday of the Month 8:00 am

Adoration Thursday 6:00 –9:00 pm

First Saturday of the Month 8:30 am-12:00 pm Confession Bible Study

Thursday 6:00-7:00 pm Wednesday 9:00 am

Saturday 3:30-4:15 pm

First Saturday of the Month 11:00 am-11:50 am



## Calendar

#### 🕸 <u>MONDAY, September 8</u>

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a/Mt 1:1-16,18-23

9:00 AM - Mass for Larry and Kim Wyatt Family

4:00 PM Fellowship Committee Meeting

5:30 PM Building and Grounds

#### \* TUESDAY, September 9

Saint Peter Claver, Priest Col 2:6-15/Lk 6:12-19 (438)

#### ₩ <u>WEDNESDAY, September 10</u>

Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26 (439)

6:00 AM Men's Group

9:00 AM Bible Stu 6:15 PM Chimes

7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

#### \* THURSDAY, September 11

Col 3:12-17/Lk 6:27-38 (440)

6:00 PM Confessions (until 7pm)

8:00 PM Praise/Worship Music during Adoration

#### # FRIDAY, September 12

The Most Holy Name of Mary

1 Tm 1:1-2,12-14/Lk 6:39-425 (441)

8:00 AM Mass for Braun Family

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Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

1 Tm 1:15-17/Lk 6:43-49 (442)

3:30 PM Confession (until 4:15)

#### ¥ SUNDAY, September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17 (638)

## **Our Parish Support**

Weekly Collection August 30 and 31

Total Sunday Adult Collection \$6,202.00

Utilities \$.00
Saint Vincent de Paul Society \$.00
Online Giving \$2,887.50

Total from all Collections \$9,089.50

## **Talent Next Week**

September 13 and 14

#### **USHERS**:

4:30 PM Dean Oxley, Mike Palmer, Skip Sandels, Maureen Ousley, Kirk Nigh, George Hill, Greg Bireley 8 AM Gordorn Engquist and Volunteers 10:30 AM Gerry Berg and Volunteers

#### LECTORS:

4:30 PM Vicki Jacobs 8 AM Jennifer Engquist 10:30 AM Melissa Derck

#### SERVERS:

4:30 PM Ashley Ramirez 8 AM Lincoln Schafer, Sophia Schafer 10:30 AM Templars, Olivia Koerner

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

4:30 PM Sister Sangeetha, Sister Roja, Sister Joythi 8 AM Erna Springer, Annette Kramer, Steven Kramer, Kim Thomas 10:30 AM Amy Carsten, Barb Smith, Bill DeVinney, Deb Layson

MONEY COUNTERS: Team 3

LINENS: Margaret Freiburger

Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before the 4:30pm and 8am weekend Masses, except at Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter and Christmas

## **Liturgy and Stewardship**

#### **Sacrament & Other Information**

#### Registration

We welcome all new members!

To register in our parish, please phone, email or stop by the Parish Office.

#### **Baptism**

Parents must attend a Baptismal Preparation class offered by appointment. Please call the Parish Office to register for the class or for further information.

#### **Marriage**

Contact the Parish Office to meet with Fr. Glenn Kohrman six months to a year in advance to begin preparation and confirm a date.

#### **Bulletin Announcements**

All announcements must be delivered in writing (email, dropped off or faxed) to the Parish Office by <u>noon on Monday</u> of the week it is to run. Deadlines for holiday weeks will be posted in the bulletin. Announcements may be edited for space

or

content.

Email: secretary@sttheresefw.org

#### **Food Bank Hours:**

Thursdays 10:00am - Noon (Must live in 46809, 46819, 46798, 46777, or 46783 zip codes) Operated by volunteers through the Saint Vincent de Paul Society of St Therese

#### **Regular Parish Office Hours:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7am - 4pm; Wednesday 8:00 am—12:00 pm

#### Parish Council

Chairperson: Bruce Hall

Dean Oxley

Ken Metz Michelle Downing Jeanne Nes David <u>Eckert</u>

Yesenia Nevarez

Finance Council

Chairperson: Kim Wyss

Skip Sandels Deb Perrine

#### **Business Administrator:**

Amy Carsten secretary@sttheresefw.org

#### **Music Director:**

Beverly Rieger sttheresemusic@gmail.com

#### **Building and Grounds**

Contact: Greg Rockstroh

(260) 747-0210

gs\_rockstroh@yahoo.com

Knights of Columbus Council

#9460

**Grand Knight:** 

Larry Stoffel

260-432-4689

lwstoffel@gmail.com

Saint Vincent de Paul

President: Tony Rahrig

Assistance Line Voice Mail:

(260) 747-9130

St. Therese United for Life

Contact: Janeann Perkins

(260) 433-1686

janeann.perkins@outlook.com

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Main Contact: Heidi Williams

Terry Tescula

Loretta Watkins

#### Mass intention requests

may be scheduled on the parish website **sttheresefw.org** or at the parish office.

The requested stipend is \$10 per Mass. Questions? Call the Parish Office at 747-9139.

#### **Praver Line:**

Dee Malott 747-9543 Ginny Uecker 747-3317

#### Chapel:

open 8am to Dusk (hours may vary)

YouTube Link: https:// www.youtube.com/

## **Parish Information**

#### Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



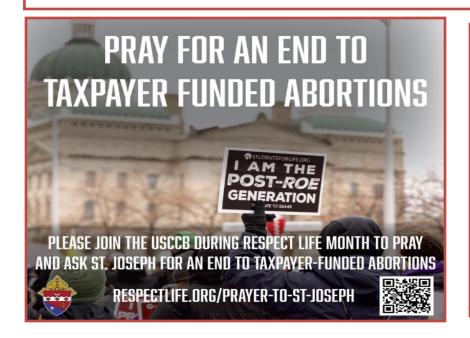
#### Fr. Glenn's Pen

The Book of Wisdom was written around 200 years before Christ. The author is reflecting on the mystery of God's ways. How can we even begin to know God and His ways? Can Grok or ChatGPT know who is typing a question or making the query? No, it cannot. A smart phone has no consciousness of its owner. The only reason we can know God is that God has revealed Himself to us. God gives us all freedom, let us use our freedom to seek out His ways. If we are successful, it only leads to deep and eternal lasting joy!

Today's psalm continues to invite us to be mindful of God and His sovereignty. God cares for all who seek Him. Faith empowers us to trust and be mindful of God's care for us even in those difficult times.

Paul from prison is writing to presumably the owner of a slave, Onesimus. He seems to be encouraging the "owner" to give him his freedom. Some traditions I believe identify Onesimus with St. Christopher, the patron of travelers. I suspect you know the story how Christopher got his name. He carried Jesus who appeared as a child across a river and hence the name "Christ Bearer" from "Christ" and "Pharoah". Pharoah literally means "to bear".

I really take issue with the translation in today's Gospel about the "command" to hate one's parents. St Augustine wrote a short book, De Doctrina which literally means, "On Christian Teaching". It conveys a double meaning though. It is not just the content AKA doctrine but also attempts to give us instructions on how to teach. He gives instructions on how to interpret the Bible. One way is what he calls the analogy of faith. If we read something that at first glance seems to not be reasonable, we must interpret it in the broader context of the Bible. For example, how is it we are called to love our enemies, but in our passage today it says we must "hate" our parents? It cannot mean this. The Greek word can be used to imply hate, but a better translation in this context would show us an alternate meaning, which could be indifferent or even not prefer. Jesus is speaking clearly as God here. We must put God first because He deserves it! He made us, we belong to Him! God gives us freedom, and we can choose to reject God and if we do, we will find ourselves in isolation and desolation. We must never love the gift, aka parents, wife, children, etc. more than the giver of the gift, aka God. God wants us to love others as He loves us. The old Baltimore Catechism gives us a great answer to the question, "Why did God make us? Simply, "To love Him, to serve Him, and to be happy with Him in this life and the next". When we put God first, our love for all that God has given us will be perfected!



## Artists invited to participate in second annual Art Exhibition Festival

Local and area artists are invited to participate in Art Exhibition Festival 2026 at St. Therese Catholic Church, 2304 Lower Huntington Road, Fort Wayne, on February 7 at 6:00 p.m.

Artists are invited to feature religious-themed exhibits and to reserve their space by January 19, 2026, by calling 260-747-9139 or emailing secretary@sttheresefw.org The fee is \$35

Appetizers and spirits will be available during the event.



## **Parish and Community Events**

St. Therese Catholic Church

## SILENT

We are delighted to announce our upcoming fundraiser event . If each family donates a basket, that would help the church tremendously. Baskets due September 12, 2025 to church office. Last year was a huge success and wonderful baskets.

> EACH FAMILY DONATES A BASKET BEST BASKET CHALLENGE:

WINNER RECEIVES: TWO TICKETS TO THE MYSTERY THEATRE EVENT **70.00 VALUE** 

2304 LOWER

TAKE THE CHALLENGE

260-747-9139 More Information sttheresefw.org

Please visit our display At your parish Saturday & Sunday September 13th and 14th, 2025

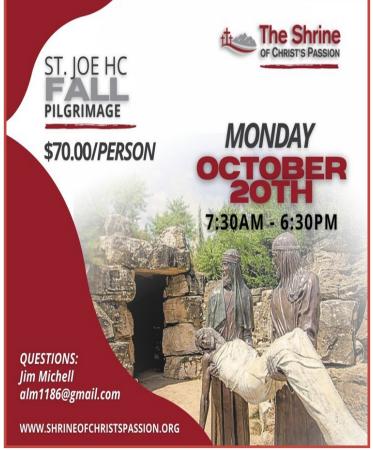
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Blest Art will be visiting your parish on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Our mission is to support those families in the Holy Land. When Blest Art visits your parish, we will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art.

We gladly accept cash, checks, and all major credit cards.









## Parish and Community Events

#### Chicken Bar-B-Q Fundraiser

Sponsored by Community Helper's and God's Promise Non-Profits

Sept 27, 11am-5pm Carryout only 12.00 presale and 15.00 at the door St. Al's Catholic Church For meals call 260-478-7440 or email





## St. Dymphna Presents

CatholicPsych Mentor for Spiritual Guidance



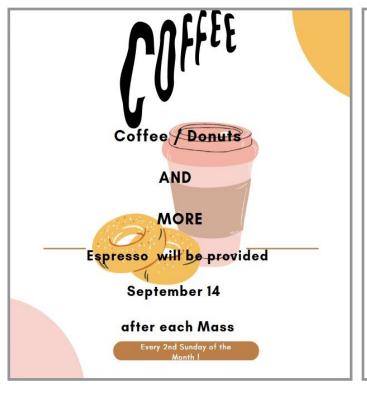
Combining
Faith + Reason +
Science to give
you psychcology
you can trust!

Nick Clune Certified CPMAP Mentor

September 15, 2025 *@*7pm

260-747-9139

St.Therese Catholic Church Parish Hall 2222 Lower Huntington Rd





## SAVE THE DATE

First Friday Mass Potluck Dinner

Everyone bring a dish 5:30pm Mass 6:00pm Potluck September 5, 2025



#### St. Therese School Mission Statement

Through the love of Jesus Christ, we will be faithful, productive, and responsible citizens.

St. Therese School Vision Statement

The vision of Saint Therese School is to develop within our students attitudes, behaviors, and skills that will support them academically and socially, which will develop caring and respectful citizens.

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

## Back to School Night September 9th, Tuesday 6pm-7pm



#### **SERVERS NEEDED for Weekend Mass**

Serving is open for 5th grade-High School.

Please call the office to be added to the list for training or to be on the Sunday rotation. 260-747-9139

Thank you





#### Food Bank Needs for September/October

- 1. One Pound Bag of Rice
- 2. Peanut Butter
- 3. Soup
- 4. Spaghetti Noodles
- 5. Spaghetti Sauce

Please donate garden produce -thank you!

#### Food Bank Needs Always

- 1. Peanut Butter
- 2. Shampoo
- 3. Tooth Paste
- Bars of Soap
- 5. Deodorant
- 6. Cereal

Saint Therese Catholic School 2222 Lower Huntington Rd Fort Wayne, Indiana 46819

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School Principal: Mrs. Michelle Dellinger mdellinger@sttheresefw.org Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30am-3:30pm closed June and July School Secretary: Mrs. Elda Oberley eoberley@sttheresefw.org

