

# St. Therese Parish

113 W Kort Street, Rothschild

## First Sunday of Advent



The Prophecy Candle : HOPE

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Deadline :Tues. by noon

## Mass Assignments

### Weekend: Dec 6th & 7th

#### Second Sunday in Advent

##### Lectors:

5:30 pm Pat  
10:00 am Cathy

##### Extra Ordinary Ministers:

5:30 pm Jim, Pat, Rich  
10:00 am Carla, Russ, Steve W.

##### Servers:

5:30 pm Donna & Grace  
10:00 am Avalon & Talus

##### Ushers:

5:30 pm Barb, Bob, Rich, Larry  
10:00 am Group

### Parish Office Hours

Monday- Thursday: 9:00 am -4:00 pm  
Friday:9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Saturday & Sunday :CLOSED

## Mass Schedule

Dec. 2, Tuesday

Confession 7:30 am / Mass 8:00 am  
+Melvin Radtke

Dec 3, Wednesday

Confession 7:30 am / Mass 8:00 am  
+Pat Stehly

Dec. 6, Saturday

Confession 10:00 am / Mass 5:30 pm  
+Mary Helen Wrycha

Dec 7, Sunday

Confession 9:30 am / Mass 10:00 am  
+For the Parish Family

## Sanctuary Lamp

Nov. 30 - Dec. 6 +Melvin Radtke

## Adoration

Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 am -  
8:00 pm. Ring the doorbell at the front  
entrance of church for access after 5:00  
pm. If you would like to volunteer for  
adoration, please call Janet Juonie:  
715-573-0134

## Religious Education

**DRE:** Steve Martin

[officeofreligiouseducation@sttheresecc.org](mailto:officeofreligiouseducation@sttheresecc.org)

Faith Formation/ CCD classes are on  
Wednesday evenings from  
6:30 pm-7:45 pm

## Prayer Chain

Call Linda Narloch : 715-355-1806

# Pastor's Message



# Parish Announcements

**By Fr. Janusz**

1st Sunday of Advent. Year A 2025

Everything passes away - time of waiting

"A certain traveller wanted to go on a journey by train. He came to the railway station. He had plenty of time, so he decided to use the restaurant at the train station because he felt hungry. He entered the restaurant, sat down at a table and ordered a dish. He found the restaurant to be very good. He ordered another dish, and then a dessert, another dessert, and spent his time in this restaurant in such a way that he did not hear that his train had already departed. There was an announcement that the train was about to leave, but he continued to sit and enjoy the menu of the station restaurant".

In today's Gospel, Jesus refers to an image from the Old Testament, which speaks of the ark and Noah's family. Jesus says, it will be the same with the coming of the Son of Man. In Noah's time people were not interested in changing their lifestyle; they were eating, drinking, marrying and being given in marriage, until the time Noah and his family entered the Ark. His family was saved as well as the animal world, while those who did not listen to the message of preparation perished in the waters of the flood.

The passing of time, everything changes, the present becomes history, and we change and pass away. Going in this direction we come to conclusions. The first is that one must have a healthy and stable distance to the world and to oneself, because everything will pass, everything will end. The next Advent can be a good opportunity to reflect on the tasks that God has entrusted to us. Perhaps it is also worth asking ourselves whether I carry out my vocation and tasks honestly and with care?

Today is the opportunity, because only today counts for us. We cannot change history, the future is a question mark and a great unknown, while the present, meaning now, belongs to us. Jesus says today "THEREFORE KEEP WATCH, because you do not know on which day your Lord will come" (Mt 24:42). This is a warning but it is also a truth. Life is short, time passes very quickly and it may happen that due to the fast pace of life that we often live, the key issues of our lives remain in the background. The invitation to watch is an expression of this desire of God; it is a way to wake us up and show us that it is possible.

We are organizing a volunteer cleaning day for the main level of our church, and we would love your help! As our building continues to serve as a place of worship, fellowship, and ministry, caring for it is an important part of our shared responsibility. A clean and welcoming space allows us to better serve our members, guests, and community. We're hoping to gather a team of willing hands to help dust, sweep, organize, wipe down surfaces, and freshen up the areas we use most.

Cleaning Day: December 6th

Time: 9:00 - 12:00

Meeting Place: Church Basement

Whether you can offer an hour or the whole time, your help will make a meaningful difference. All supplies will be available, and lunch/refreshments will be available. Most importantly, we'll enjoy the fellowship of working together for a good purpose.

If you're able to volunteer, please let Michelle Reedy know by contacting 715-571-3173.

*Thank you*

Dear Volunteers (Tina VanEyck, Karen Morehouse, Tony Sherfinski, Larry Vesely, Nick Leair, John & Vivian Seidl, Dave & Liz Joswick, Nathan Krautkramer, and Ann Taylor): On behalf of our entire church family, thank you for your time, energy, and heart you poured into cleaning our church basement on November 15th. Your willingness to roll up your sleeves, work together, and care for our shared space has made a tremendous difference. What once felt overwhelming is now organized, refreshed and ready to be used for ministry and fellowship again - all because of your generosity and hard work. We are truly grateful for your servant hearts and the joyful spirit you brought to this project. May God bless each of you for the love and dedication you've shown to our church community. With heartfelt appreciation.

- Michelle Reedy.

**St. Therese Circle of Joy** food pantry is open. If you or someone you know needs assistance, please call Barb at 715-359-4845. We appreciate your donations, please double check expiration dates, we can not use anything with expired best buy dates. Thank you!

Christmas food baskets will once again be available to those in need. Call Barb at 715-359-4845 by December 12th if you know someone who would benefit from receiving a food basket this Christmas season.

## NCHC "Giving Tree"

**Deadline for drop off** of gifts for the Christmas "Giving Tree" to the Health Care Center is Dec 8th. Please wrap the gift and make sure the name tag is attached. If you have questions, please contact LeeAnn Seitz 715-574-0785.

## Feast of St. Nicholas

**December 6th**

Dear Lord, We humbly seek the guidance of St.

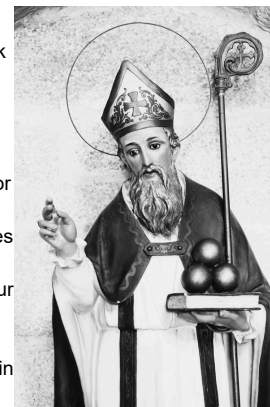
Nicholas, a beacon of generosity and kindness.

May his spirit inspire us to give selflessly and to care for those in need.

Help us to embody his virtues of compassion and love, spreading joy and hope in our communities.

Grant us wisdom in our actions, reflecting your light in all we do.

Amen.



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November 23, 2025

Tithing	\$ 2,743.25
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Votives	\$ 45.00
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Mission Appeal	\$ 5.00
Retired Religious Appeal	\$ 32.00
Credit Card Tithing	\$ 226.30
Mailed Tithing	\$ 732.00
ACH Tithing	\$ 645.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,012.55</b>

Capital Improvement Expenditure (CAPEX)

Current total to date is \$ 58,532.50

Inspired By The Spirit Campaign	
Campaign Goal:	\$ 520,000.00
Amount Received:	\$ 467,237.67
We are at 89.85% of our Goal	

Diocesan Annual Appeal	
Target Goal	\$ 71,870.00
Amount Collected	\$ 12,070.00
<b>TOTAL Under Goal</b>	<b>\$ 59,800.00</b>





Grand Knight : Joe Coles 715-212-9677

## Knights of Columbus Fresh Cut Christmas Tree Sale

Fresh cut Christmas trees will be for sale starting Friday, November 21st from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. daily until the last one is sold! \$40 for any tree! They will be selling from the lot adjacent to K&M Electric at 1221 Grand Avenue, Schofield. Come early and get the best selection!



## Parish Potluck

**Reminder:** We will **NOT** have parish potluck in the months of November or December. Potluck will resume the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in January at noon.

## Faith Formation

Set aside time during the beautiful season of Advent as a family for preparing your hearts before the annual celebrations of Christ's birth on Christmas. Spending prayerful moments as a family each day to "get ready" through prayer of the heart will bring many blessings.

## From the Diocese

### **Advent begins Nov. 30th**

Advent is the season of preparation for the birth of Christ that includes a call to purification through personal spiritual renewal, receiving the sacrament of reconciliation (confession), and making simple acts of penance and sacrifice. Advent is a season for stepping back from our busy lives, taking time in stillness and solitude, to reflect more deeply on the mystery of God's Incarnation—Jesus taking on human flesh to be among us. We offer small sacrifices to spend this Advent in true preparation for the real gift of Christmas—Jesus Christ.

## Newman Catholic Schools



## Pope Leo XIV

### **November**

### **For the prevention of suicide**

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.



President Janet Juonie 715-573-0134

The Magnificat Advent Companion is now available in the gathering space. Courtesy of the Little Flower Council, please take one for daily meditations, Blessings and prayers for the Advent season.

The ladies of St. Therese are invited to the Little Flower Council Christmas Party Potluck. Monday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm in the church hall. Please bring a dish to pass. Enjoy great conversation and a delicious meal. If you have never been to a meeting, it's a wonderful time to start!

## Catholic Daughters

Catholic Daughters Court St. Rose December 4th Christmas Party Potluck luncheon at 12 Noon in the St. Therese church hall. Please bring a dish to pass and a wrapped \$5.00 Bingo gift. Remember to bring your shoebox gift for the Indian Mission school. Bring a friend to enjoy Festive Fun and Food.

### **A lifetime of service deserves care in return.**

Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next week. Your gift will provide essential care for more than 20,500 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.

Envelopes available on end of each pew in church.



## Breakfast



Breakfast is served every 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the 10:00 am Mass. Join us for great food and fellowship. Free will offering is accepted. Pierogis and sausage will be available for purchase. They are always available for purchase in the parish office.

**ALL FLAVORS ARE BACK IN STOCK!**



### Calendar Winners

Tues., November 25th  
Mark Z. from Wisconsin Rapids  
Thurs., November 27th  
No Drawing  
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Remembering our deceased in November.  
 Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
 and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
 May the souls of the faithful departed,  
 through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
 Amen.



**Little Flower Council**  
**St. Therese PCCW**

Meetings on the first Monday  
 of the month Sept—April  
 6:30 Rosary meeting to follow

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