# St. Therese Parish

113 W Kort Street, Rothschild Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome



St John Lateran Basilica

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# **Mass Assignments**

Weekend Nov. 15th & 16th

33rd Sunday in Ordinary time

Lectors:

5:30 pm Alan 10:00 am Scott

**Extra Ordinary Ministers:** 

5:30 pm Theresa, Alan, Karen 10:00 am Peter, Scott, Steve W.

Servers:

5:30 pm Camilla 10:00 am Ian & Noah

<u>Ushers:</u>

5:30 pm Group 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

Nov. 11, Tuesday

Confession 7:30 am / Mass 8:00 am

+Pat Stehly

Nov 12, Wednesday

Confession 7:30 am / Mass 8:00 am

+Estelle Bohte

Nov. 15 Saturday

Confession 10:00 am / Mass 5:30 pm

+Mary Helen Wrycha

Nov 16, Sunday

Confession 9:30 am / Mass 10:00 am

+Amanda Mengel

# **Santuary Lamp**

Nov. 9- Nov. 15 +Evelyn Staszak

# **Adoration**

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

# **Religous Education**

**DRE**: Steve Martin

officeofreligouseducation@

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



### By Fr. Janusz The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

The event from today's Gospel took place in Jerusalem. This event leads us to an analysis of what became important in Jesus' life. Simultaneously, it should become something special for those who witnessed this event. Jesus, who, according to St. Jerome, performs a miracle, because he alone was able to drive the merchants out of the temple. Divine fire and care for the house of God. Going further, let us try to understand the context of this event; important is the significance of the Temple and the anniversary of its dedication for the chosen people.

On this feast, the Jews commemorated the rededication of the temple by the Maccabees in 164 BC, after it had been desecrated three years earlier by Antiochus IV Epiphanes. This celebration was called the "Feast of Lights" in reference to the sevenbranched candelabrum, which, being constantly lit, symbolized the Presence of God who sees everything and is the light of the world among people. The Jerusalem temple, what was it? The only temple of the true God. Through this, it foreshadowed that God planned to bestow upon us a more magnificent Temple, the Temple which is Jesus Christ. This is also today's Gospel. After cleansing the temple of sacrificial animals, Jesus says: "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up". A mysterious message meaning that would be discovered by the apostles after Jesus' resurrection.

What does it mean that the Lord Jesus is the only temple of God on earth? First and foremost, the temple is a place of God's special presence among people. The Lord Jesus is the True God – and one cannot even imagine a more literal presence of God among people than that which is realized through Jesus' presence in us and among us.

Another meaning: the temple is a place for offering sacrifices to God. The Lord Jesus offered to His Father a sacrifice of love from Himself. He persevered in this love until the end; He surrounds us with this love during the Holy Mass and does so all the time. Ultimately, the temple is a place for bearing true witness to God. In Jesus Christ, we can see the true, fatherly face of our God - a God who loves, forgives, and calls for conversion. Jesus, who drove the bankers and merchants out of the temple, performed a prophetic gesture. He announced the purification of another temple - the temple of the human heart, so that it would cease to be a marketplace of things that distance us from God, and become a true temple, a place of prayer, a place of meeting with God, a place where God can dwell.

What is a marketplace? A marketplace is characterized by chaos, noise; one cannot calm down or focus there. Can such a marketplace arise or be built in my heart, in my life? It turns out it can: swirling thoughts, conflicting feelings and desires, impressions that cannot be grasped, when I bargain with God, seeking my own, often egoistic, benefits. What is my relationship with God based on? Let us ask ourselves today, how much time do I devote to listening to the word of God? How much time to the meditation of Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament?

# 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. Holiday Church Cleaning: We are looking for help to do a deep clean of the church for the upcoming Advent season. Saturday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> we will concentrate on the church basement and kitchen. Saturday, Dec 6<sup>th</sup> we will focus on the main parts of the church. It's a great opportunity for service hours. Snacks will be provided. If you have questions, please contact Michelle at 715-571-3173

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

# Welcome

We warmly welcome Brad and Therese Meissen back to St. Therese Parish. Please contact the Parish office if you are interested in joining our St. Therese family.

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Capital Improvement Expenditure (CAPEX)

Current total to date is \$ 58,512.50

Inspired By The Spirit Campaign
Campaign Goal: \$ 520,000.00
Amount Received: \$ 461,744.97
We are at 88.8% of our Goal

| Diocesan Annual Appeal | Target Goal | \$ 71,870.00 | Amounted Collected | \$ 10,146.00 | TOTAL Under Goal | \$ 61,724.00 |



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# K of C's



Knights of Columbus Scared Heart Council #4628 The next meeting wil be on Tuesday, November 11th at 7:00 in the St. Thereses Council Chambers. If you have any questions, contact Grand Knight Joe Coles at 715-212-9677

### KNIGHTS FOR LIFE – BLOOD FOR LIFE"

The Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council serving St. Mark, St Agnes and St Therese Parishes is sponsoring a Blood Drive. The "Knights for life – Blood for Life" blood donation drive will be held on Thursday, November 20th from 2:30-7:00pm in Abts Hall at St Agnes. We are asking families and friends to help support this effort by donating blood to give life to those in need. You can go to the website of the "Blood Center of Northcentral Wisconsin" for more information

### Parish Potluck

Reminder: We will NOT have parish potluck in the months of November or December. Potluck will resume the 4th Thursday in January.

# 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.

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Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess,

we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces.

Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing.

Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen. USCCB

# **Faith Formation**

Grade 2 Assistant Needed for our Faith Formation Program

We need a teacher's assistant in our 2nd grade classroom. Our Faith Formation program cannot serve the children in the parish without the help of many volunteers.

Please pray and consider sharing your faith with our children during this special year when they will receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time.

Please contact Steve Martin in the Religious Education Office to discuss this wonderful service opportunity.

# **Best Wishes at State, Newman Lady Cards!**









President Janet Juonie 715-573-0134

### **Holiday Showcase**

Saturday, November 22

The Holiday Showcase is an annual event sponsored by the Saint Therese Little Flower Council which hosts more than 65 Arts & Crafts vendors. We serve a luncheon and host a bake sale. We also hold a raffle with some fantastic prizes donated by parishioners & some of the vendors. It is a great day to meet and work with fellow parishioners, enjoy a delicious luncheon, purchase holiday bakery, and do some Christmas shopping from Arts & Crafts vendors.

We will be accepting donations of raffle items (\$30 minimum value), baked goods, and homemade craft items for the Saint Therese Craft table. Volunteers will be needed to sell bakery and help with the luncheon. Please call Janet Juonie 715-573-0134 or LeeAnn Seitz 715-574-0785 for more information and watch the bulletin for upcoming announcements and information.

#### Calling All Bakers:

Bring your favorite baked goods to our bake sale. All items may be brought to the school cafeteria on Friday Nov.21st. We will have cookies, breads, candy, rolls pies, and muffins to name a few. Great way to get a jump on your holiday baking.

See you November 22nd!

# From the Diocese



Listening Sessions -

Virtual Options Now Available!

Bishop Battersby is inviting all of us to begin a serious process of renewal and conversion, personally and institutionally, throughout the Diocese of La Crosse. Thank you to over 3,000 of our people who attended a 90-minute session. If you missed your chance, there are now two virtual options available.

Tues, Nov 11 (7:00-8:30pm)

Thurs, Nov 13 (6:00-7:30pm)

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

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