

Fides♥Spes♥Caritas

MEN'S GROUP

Every Wednesday
6:45 AM
Lower Level of Church
Contact Bob Lang for more
information
disciplelang@gmail.com
920-716-4898

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

First Thursday of the Month
2 PM-3:30 PM
Lower Level of Church
Contact Barb Mastalish for more
information
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920-642-0376

YOUNG MOMS

Every Monday school day
8:10ish (after school dropoff)
Lower Level of Church
Contact Kathy Miller for more
information
skramcorp@gmail.com
715-546-2139

The Pope's Monthly Intention for January

For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that
praying with the
Word of God be
nourishment for our
lives and a source of
hope in our
communities,
helping us to build a
more fraternal and
missionary Church.

*"Let us remember that we
are all one, embracing all,
discriminating against
none. May your year be
filled with peace,
prosperity and love. May
God's blessings shower
upon you and bestow
upon each of you a bright,
healthy and peaceful new
year"*

Hospitality Committee

Our committee hosts a
monthly social gathering after
Mass on the second full
weekend of each month. Join
us Saturdays for our wine and
cheese social after the 4 PM
Mass or Sundays for coffee
and donuts after the 8:30 AM
Mass. All parishioners and
visitors are welcome to join us
for fun and fellowship! Our
**next gatherings will be held
January 10th and 11th.**

*We are looking for additional
committee members. Please
contact Debbie Lang at 920-213-
0041 if you are interested in
joining the Saturday Wine and
Cheese committee or Bev Hart at
406-471-7410 if you would like to
join the Sunday Coffee and
Donuts committee.*



Thrift Store

Open Fridays and Saturdays,
10AM-3PM

Donation Drop-Off (at the store)

Wednesday 9AM-1PM

*Friday and Saturday, 10AM-
2:30PM* Questions, please call

Jeannie 414-430-1246 or

Mike 715-617-3158

Upcoming Sale Items

- January 9/10:
All Linens 50% Off
- January 16/17:
All Housewares and
Glasses 50% Off

**The thrift store is in need
of a manager! Please call
the office 715-479-8704
or look on our website
for more information!
We need you!!!**

Did you know???

**St. Theresa's Thrift Store makes
quarterly donations to various local
groups including;
NLCC Youth Ministry
Three Lakes Veteran's Memorial
Warm the Children
Sunshine for Humanity and many
more!!!**

St. Theresa has reached our 2025/2026 Catholic Services Appeal “*Encountering Christ, Transforming Lives*” goal !!!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this essential and vital appeal to support the initiatives and ministries that will enable us to fully realize Bishop Powers’ vision to move from “*maintenance to mission*”.

CATECHISM CORNER~~Test Your Knowledge!

answers and explanations on page 4

1. What is the first book of the Bible?
A) Exodus
B) Genesis
C) Psalms
D) Matthew

2. Who is the leader of the worldwide Catholic Church?
A) The Archbishop of Canterbury
B) The Patriarch of Jerusalem
C) The Pope
D) The Superior General

3. What do Catholics celebrate on Easter?
A) The birth of Jesus
B) The descent of the Holy Spirit
C) The resurrection of Jesus
D) The Last Supper

4. Which Old Testament event is most clearly seen as a foreshadowing of Baptism?
A) David defeating Goliath
B) The crossing of the Red Sea
C) Jonah being swallowed by the fish
D) The building of the Temple

5. Which of the following is a corporal work of mercy?
A) Instruct the ignorant
B) Pray for the living and the dead
C) Clothe the naked
D) Comfort the sorrowful

6. Which creed is typically prayed at Sunday Mass?
A) Apostles’ Creed
B) Athanasian Creed
C) Nicene Creed
D) Chalcedonian Creed

*Thank you to Lee Ann
Richmond for this
submission!*

ATTENTION PLEASE!

When writing checks for any type of contribution/donation, please make out to **St. Theresa** and **write the specific “cause” in the memo line i.e. “food pantry”, “youth ministry”, “flowers”, etc.** Also, please do NOT write checks out to “NLCC” or “Northern Lakes Catholic Communities”, ONLY St. Theresa.

Finally, please be sure your name and/or envelope number is clearly printed/written on any contribution envelopes.

Thank You!!!

Women’s Book Study

The Women's Book Study Group meets on the first Thursday of the month to discuss a book or video centered on the Catholic faith and Christian principles. Participants share their insights and experiences, strengthening their faith and building friendships. All meetings will be from 2:00 - 3:30 PM in the lower level of St.

Theresa's. New members are always welcome - please join us!

Our next meeting will be on January 8th, and we will finish our discussion of *Rejoicing in Our Hope* by Bishop Robert J. Baker.

And, On Another Note . . .

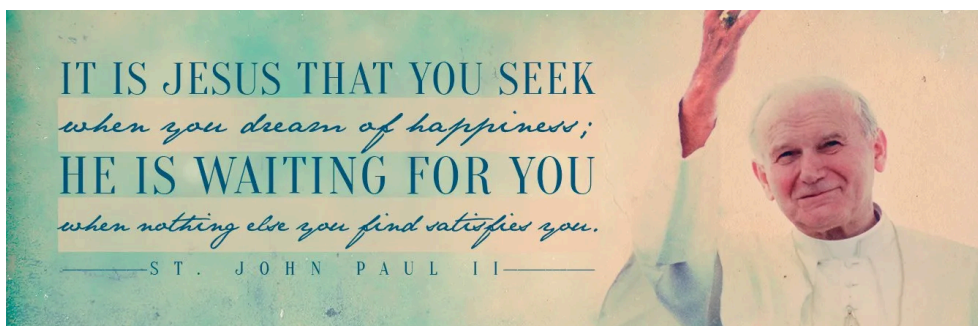
2026...A New Year! There are hundreds of New Years lists out there so why not make mine?

by Mark Pieplow

- 1) I wish that all people would be tolerant and understanding of those who are different. We are all God's children.
- 2) I wish that when we finally start singing Christmas songs at church that they have not become stale because we have heard them since before Thanksgiving.
- 3) I wish that all people would sing with a full voice as a Body of Christ. Our hymns are actually prayers set to song! Open the "Breaking Bread" and sing along with your brothers and sisters! God doesn't care about your voice...He created it!
- 4) I wish more people would ask our Priests over for dinner, ice fishing, snowmobiling or just to talk.
- 5) I wish that no one would find that the beginning of the final song is the perfect time to start a conversation with their neighbor
- 6) I wish that, as a Body of Christ, everyone would stay to pray our final prayer in song instead of walking away.
- 7) I wish for the success of the ChristLife program. It has already changed lives.

I wish everyone a most blessed 2026. Come on up and sing with the choir!

Come transform the liturgy and capture people's hearts! Please help our choir praise God with joyful sound! Share your voice and sing with the choir when you are available! Please contact Mark Pieplow at 715-437-0592 -or- mpieplow54@gmail.com



**"Share
Some Love"
Community
Dinners**

A sincere thank you to everyone who donated time, food, and/or prayers to our first ever Thanksgiving and Christmas community meals. These meals will definitely continue for the major holidays (Easter is next!); so, if you have any suggestions and/or ideas, please let me know. Also, if we can get enough interest, I would love for St. Theresa's to host a **monthly** community meal! Please let me know your thoughts and if you would be willing to be part of the game plan! Call/Text 715-617-5255
liz.h1973@gmail.com

Collection of non-perishable items for the Three Lakes Christian Food Pantry is the last full weekend of each month!

Baskets will be in the entryways!

Hot Breakfast!!!

Come downstairs for great fellowship and a delicious hot breakfast on the second Wednesday of every month after Mass!!! Hosted by the St. Theresa Men's Group

Next gathering: January 14th

Beer and Brotherhood

Hey Guys! Join your fellow St. Theresa brothers monthly to discuss a saint and try a craft beer!!!

Meet us just down the road at The Brew Station
1803 Superior Street
Three Lakes, WI

Listen for the date of our next gathering during the ambo announcements or contact Jeff Richmond for more information
jtrichmond7@gmail.com
(563) 340-7939

How has your 2025 talking to God become trusting and touching? Have you believed the prayers of your heart are heard and answered . . . according to Divine will?

2026 is here! Matthew 7:7-8 Ask . . . And it will be given to you. Seek . . . And you will find. Knock . . . And the door will be opened to you.

Begin each and every morning with being in God's presence, drawing closer to Him each day! Trust, pray earnestly, and leave it in God's hands. Plug into His power, goodness, and wisdom, and let it be your means to know Him, believe in Him, and love Him more!

2026. Make room for HOPE! Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him.

Our hope is a choice in a quiet steady vision to trust God more than what we can see. Make BIG space for HOPE! Let it rise up over our fears and lift our eyes to what is possible with Him! For in our silence with Him, HOPE gently reminds us: God is still at work! He is still writing our story.

God of HOPE in 2026. Fill our hearts with JOY and PEACE and LOVE for all! Help us trust you with the things we cannot yet see!

Blessings in 2026,
Your Prayer Chain

Liturgical Ministry Contacts

Catechism Corner Answers



Try out something new for 2026 and
experience the profound honor of
joining a liturgical ministry!

Altar Servers: Deacon Mike Miller~715-617-0013
mike@millerrealty.com

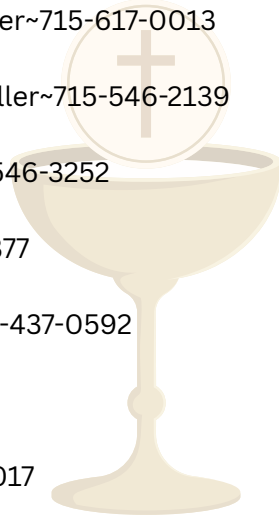
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1. Answer: B) Genesis
Explanation: Genesis is the first book of the Bible and contains the creation accounts and early salvation history

2. Answer: C) The Pope
Explanation: The Pope, successor of St. Peter, is the visible head of the worldwide Catholic Church

3. Answer: C) The resurrection of Jesus
Explanation: Easter celebrates Jesus rising from the dead, the central mystery of the Christian faith

4. Answer: B) The crossing of the Red Sea
Explanation: This foreshadows Baptism— passing through water into freedom and new life

5. Answer: C) Clothe the naked
Explanation: This is one of the corporal works of mercy, which address physical needs

6. Answer: C) Nicene Creed
Explanation: The Nicene Creed is the profession of faith typically recited during Sunday Mass

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Mass

Wednesday 8:30 AM
Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM

Adoration and Confession

Wednesday 8:00 AM
***1st Wednesday
9:00 AM-Noon***

Rosary for Priests

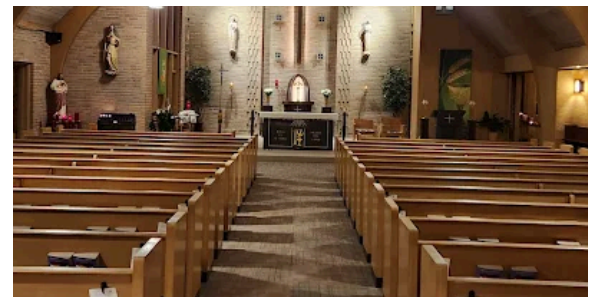
Wednesday 7:15 AM
***1st Wednesday 7:45 AM

Confession

Saturday 3:00 PM-3:45 PM

Talk To Us

Questions, Comments, Suggestions Welcome!
What would you like to see? Please email Liz at liz@northernlakescatholics.org or call/text 715-617-5255. Thank you for your input! February submission deadline: 01/26/2026



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