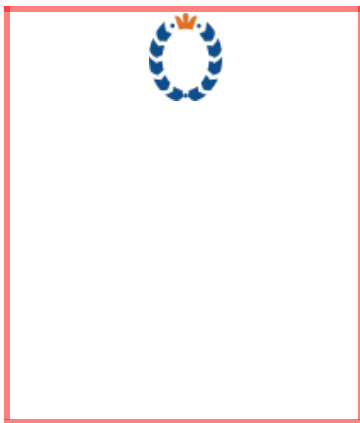


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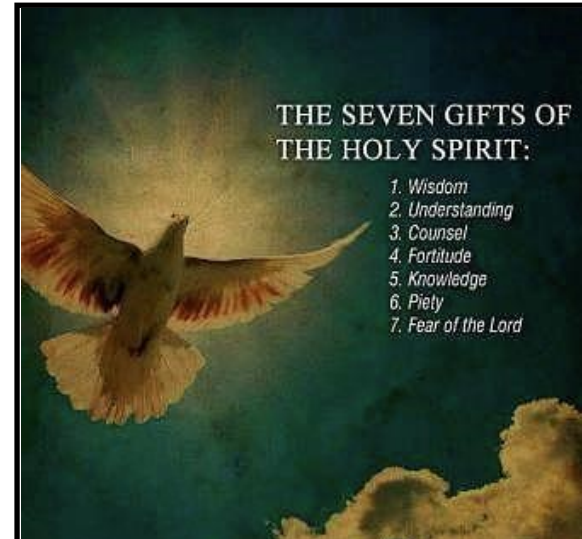
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May 5th, Sixth Sunday of Easter

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9:00 am – 3:00 p.m.
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On this sixth week of Easter, let us **pray for the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit**. Christ promised to send us the Holy Spirit from the Father as the fruit of his resurrection. Christ wants everyone who believes in him to have the Power of the Holy Spirit, who is the Consoler, Comforter, Revealer of Truth, and our Spiritual Guide. Without the Holy Spirit, we cannot grow in holiness and do the works of charity and evangelization. So, please remember your Confirmation day as you pray this prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

O Lord Jesus, through You I humbly beg the merciful Father to send the holy Spirit of grace, that He may bestow upon us His sevenfold gifts. May He send us the gift of wisdom, which will make us relish the Tree of Life that is none other than Yourself; the gift of understanding, which will enlighten us; the gift of counsel, which will guide us in the way of righteousness; and the gift of fortitude, which will give us the strength to vanquish the enemies of our sanctification and salvation. May He impart to us the gift of knowledge, which will enable us to discern Your teaching

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Mass Intentions and Liturgical Observations			Readings for this Week
<p>Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:30 am</p>	<p>May 5 Mass Mass Mass</p>	<p>Sixth Sunday of Easter St. Therese Catholic Church † Armando Intenza & † Kenneth Brocato by Luke Perkins Bob Bouska by Kevin & Sharla Lewis</p>	<p>Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17</p>
<p>Monday 8:00 am</p>	<p>May 6 Mass</p>	<p>† Bill Pinola Birthday By Kevin & Sharla Lewis</p>	<p>Acts 16:11-15 Jn 15:26—16:4a</p>
<p>Tuesday 6:00 pm</p>	<p>May 7 Mass</p>	<p>Peace in the Middle East</p>	
<p>Wednesday 12:00 pm</p>	<p>May 8 Mass</p>	<p>† Chad Stein by Mary Rae Stein † Baby Lobo Audrey, John, Pete</p>	<p>Acts 16:22-34 Jn 16:5-11</p>
<p>Thursday 8:00 am</p>	<p>May 9 Mass</p>	<p>The Ascension of The Lord - (Moved to next Sunday) John Hennessy by Ann & David Johnson</p>	<p>Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 Jn 16:12-15</p>
<p>Friday 8:00 am</p>	<p>May 10 Mass</p>	<p>Saint John of Avila, Priest, Doctor of the Church † Kirk Stapler by Teresa Marek Anthony Trojacek Birthday by Mike & Susan Trojacek</p>	<p>Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23 Mk 16:15-20</p>
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The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for May Praying for the Sick

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Sacraments / Sacramentos
Baptisms: Please contact the church office at least three months prior to setting a date as a pre-baptismal meeting is required.
Marriage: Please contact the church office to visit with your pastor at least six months before setting a date as premarital classes must be attended prior to the wedding.
For both of these sacraments you must be a member of our Parish and in good standing. If you belong to another Parish and are seeking the Sacraments you must bring letter from your priest.
Bautizos: Se debe contactar a la oficina al menos un mes antes de la fecha de celebración. Una reunión pre-bautismal es necesario antes de configurar la fecha.
Matrimonio: el padre debe ser contactado durante al menos seis meses antes de la boda. Recuerda tomar clases antes de fijar la fecha.
Para ambos sacramentos debe ser miembro de nuestra parroquia y estar en buena posición. Si pertenece a otra parroquia pero busca los sacramentos, debe traer una carta de su sacerdote.
Quinceañera: Si está planeando un quinceañera, asegúrese de comunicarse primero con la oficina de la iglesia, antes de fijar una fecha.


Your Gift is for God's Work
Weekend Mass Collection: \$ 4,699.00
Attendance for April 27 & 28: 367
We suggest 10% of monthly income
Please Remember St. Therese Church in your Will.
Parish Income & Expenses for March
Parish Income : \$ 28,841.23
Parish Expenses: \$ 26,804.84
Weekly Building Fund Collection: \$ 50.00
Special Thanks to everyone for your offerings.
Kindly consider the year-end tax-detectable donations



Sunday Humor
"If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale, and gave all my money to the church, would I get into heaven?" a teacher asked. A teacher asked the children in her Sunday school class, No! the children all answered. "If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into heaven? Again the answer was, No! "Well," she continued, "then how can I get to heaven?"
A five-year-old boy shouted out, "You gotta be dead!"

THANK YOU TO THE 23 DONORS WHO HELPED PURCHASE THE EASTER FLOWERS! YOUR GENEROSITY IS AMAZING!
Visiting the Sick
If you are sick, going for surgery, or in the hospital please contact the priest as soon as possible for your sacramental needs.

LADIES GUILD SERVICE, SPIRITUAL, SOCIAL INTERESTED IN JOINING US
please contact:
Joyce Fleming
Or call the Church office for contact information.
New members Always welcome!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Meetings are every 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm
Interested in joining please contact:
Grand Knight: Jeff Aubert
Deputy Grand Knight: Mike Perez

Youth Ministry & CYO Grades 6 – 12
meet every Wednesday from 6 pm – 7:30 pm. in the Education Building.
Please contact: JoAnne Henson for more information.

Diocese Code of Ethics and Integrity
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The St Therese Canton Radio
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DAILY MASS
It helps us to grow in our personal holiness. As we need food everyday, we need Eucharist everyday. If you missed a Sunday Mass, kindly consider attending one of the weekday Masses. Let us pray for our broken world, which needs God's Mercy and peace. If and when you can attend a weekday Mass, you will receive special graces for your efforts.

Upcoming Events—Mark Your Calendar
May 5 (Sun) - The Crowning of Mary & Children's Liturgy
May 12 (Sun) - Mother's Day
May 13 - May 17 - Communion Service (No Mass)
May 17 (Fri) - Father Jesu Anniversary of Priesthood
May 19 (Sun) - H.S. Seniors Graduation Party & Faith Formation Year End Party

Pray For Our Priests In Our Diocese

May 5	Rev. JUSTIN WYLIE
May 6	MSGR Rev. JAMES YOUNG
May 7	Rev. KEVIN YOUNG
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Finalmente, cómo Su Ascensión es única sólo para Él:

"Nadie subió al cielo sino Cristo, porque también nosotros somos Cristo: él es el Hijo del Hombre por su unión con nosotros, y nosotros por nuestra unión con él somos hijos de Dios. Así, nadie sino Cristo descendió y nadie sino Cristo ascendió; no porque no haya distinción entre la cabeza y el cuerpo, sino porque el cuerpo como unidad no puede separarse de la cabeza".

Oraciones por la Ascensión del Señor

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Haz la Oración Colecta para el Domingo de la Ascensión: **"Alégranos con santos gozos, Dios todopoderoso, y haznos regocijarnos con devota acción de gracias, porque la Ascensión de Cristo tu Hijo es nuestra exaltación, y, donde la Cabeza ha ido delante en gloria, el Cuerpo está llamado a seguir con esperanza. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, Dios, por los siglos de los siglos"**.

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"Mientras esté en el cielo él también está con nosotros; y nosotros mientras estamos en la tierra estamos con él. Él está aquí con nosotros por su divinidad, su poder y su amor. No podemos estar en el cielo, como él está en la tierra, por divinidad, pero en él podemos estar allí por amor".

Finalmente, cómo Su Ascensión es única sólo para Él:

"Nadie subió al cielo sino Cristo, porque también nosotros somos Cristo: él es el Hijo del Hombre por su unión con nosotros, y nosotros por nuestra unión con él somos hijos de Dios. Así, nadie sino Cristo descendió y nadie sino Cristo ascendió; no porque no haya distinción entre la cabeza y el cuerpo, sino porque el cuerpo como unidad no puede separarse de la cabeza".

Oraciones por la Ascensión del Señor

Recen las palabras de San Pablo en su Carta a los Colosenses: **"Si, pues, habéis resucitado con Cristo, buscad lo de arriba, donde Cristo está sentado a la diestra de Dios. Piensa en lo que hay arriba, no en lo que hay en la tierra. Porque habéis muerto y vuestra vida está escondida con Cristo en Dios. Cuando aparezca Cristo, vuestra vida, entonces vosotros también apareceréis con él en gloria"**. (Colosenses 3:1-4)

Haz la Oración Colecta para el Domingo de la Ascensión: **"Alégranos con santos gozos, Dios todopoderoso, y haznos regocijarnos con devota acción de gracias, porque la Ascensión de Cristo tu Hijo es nuestra exaltación, y, donde la Cabeza ha ido delante en gloria, el Cuerpo está llamado a seguir con esperanza. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, Dios, por los siglos de los siglos"**.