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IF YOU WERE BLIND, YOU WOULD HAVE

no sin.

JOHN 9:41

This Week	Stewardship				
<p>Sunday, March 19 - Laetare Sunday [Easter basket raffle tickets] 8:00AM - Mass - Mary Dean (D) 9:00AM - Faith Formation, RCIA, What We Believe 10:30AM - Kristine Tonn (L)</p> <p>Monday, March 20 No Mass, nor activities</p> <p>Tuesday, March 21 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Yolanda Coralde (L) [Knights of Columbus]</p> <p>Wednesday, March 22 10:30AM - Walking with Purpose 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Mary Dean (D) [Choir]</p> <p>Thursday, March 23 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Hieronim Drozdik (D) 12:30PM - Adoration 12:30PM - Scripture Circle 5:30PM - Benediction</p> <p>Friday, March 24 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Raymond Gandolf (D) 6:00PM - Stations of the Cross [Abstinence]</p> <p>Saturday, March 25 [Easter basket raffle tickets this weekend] 7:30AM - Men's Group 4:00PM - Confession 5:00PM - Mass - Madeline Claire Alden (L)</p> <p>Sunday, March 26 8:00AM - Mass - St. Therese Parishioners 9:05AM - Faith Formation, RCIA, What We Believe 10:30AM - Mass - Ray Kress (D)</p> <p>Monday, March 27 No Mass, nor activities</p> <p>Tuesday, March 28 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Ray Kress (D) 12:30PM - Respect Life</p>	Offertory	Needed	Received		
February 2023				\$ 51,500.00	\$ 58,174.50
March 5, 2023				\$ 13,124.75	\$ 23,384.12
March 2023				\$ 52,499.00	\$ 23,384.12
Visit: www.catholicwb.org to give online.....					
<p><u>TODAY'S READINGS</u></p> <p>First Reading — Samuel anoints young David, who is the clear choice of God (1 Sm, 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a).</p> <p>Psalms — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6).</p> <p>Second Reading — Live as children of light... (Ephesians 5:8-14).</p> <p>Gospel — Jesus cures a blind man, and there follows the question: Is Jesus from God or not? (John 9:1-41 or John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38).</p>					
<p style="text-align: center;">This Week's Scripture Readings</p>					
<p>Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a</p> <p>Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16</p> <p>Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30</p> <p>Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47</p> <p>Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30</p> <p>Saturday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38</p> <p>Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45</p>					
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Interested in joining St. Therese?</u> Please contact the Parish Office.</p>					
<p style="text-align: center;">Fourth Sunday of Lent March 19, 2023 "Not as man sees does God see....."</p>					
<p style="text-align: center;">This Week's Saints/Special Observances</p>					
<p>Sunday: Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Sunday:</p>	<p>Fourth Sunday of Lent Saint Joseph Saint Edna Saint Deogratias Saint Turibius of Mongrovejo Saint Macartan The Annunciation of the Lord Fifth Sunday of Lent</p>				
<p style="text-align: center;">Please use care when parking in the handicap spaces and display a current yellow placard in addition to the handicapped tag. (Other cars should not be parked so close as to render these spaces inaccessible.)</p>					

Holy Week

Holy Thursday

April 6

6:30PM - Mass (Adoration follows)

Good Friday

April 7

3PM - Liturgy

Holy Saturday

April 8

8PM - Vigil

Easter Sunday

April 9

8AM - Mass

10:30AM - Mass

*[Tent will be up for overflow,
Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. Plan to
arrive early and carpool if possible....]*

Need a priest to visit you while in NOVANT-NHRMC?

You, your family, or your nurse must contact the Spiritual Care Dept. in the hospital & they will have their liaison contact a priest. (There may be infection-control procedures in place.)
Scheduled surgery? Contact the Parish Office *prior* to it in order to schedule a time for Anointing of the Sick by Father *before* you are admitted.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

In 2022 Give Online Giving a Try!

Visit: www.catholicwb.org

Click on: ONLINE GIVING (upper right)
Read the online data, then hit [click here](#).
Follow the instructions to set up an account and password. Use the email address on file with your Parish enrollment..... You can set up a recurring scheme, or do a one-time gift on the weekends you are away.

Save the Dates...

June 25, Sunday: Father's 25th Anniversary of Ordination - Mass & Dinner will be held at *St. Mark's*. (Due to ease of accommodating expected large number of people.) Watch for invitations so you may RSVP. Away that day?

An *additional social* in his honor will be planned for Saturday, **July 8**, following the Vigil Mass, in our Courtyard.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 4:00 PM - 4:45PM in the Reconciliation Room at the Church, and other times by appointment.

(Additional time often offered during Advent and Lent.)

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 12:30PM - 5:30PM

Baptisms: Important information can be found on our website at www.catholicwb.org/sacraments as to how to get started. Baptisms for children are scheduled no more than 2 months in advance. Adults interested in becoming Catholic should inquire about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Anointing: Persons concerned about their health are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. (Hospital & nursing home patients should notify the Registration Department, the social worker, or Pastoral Care upon check-in.)

Marriage: Couples from St. Therese planning marriage are asked to contact the Parish Office *at least 6 months prior* to their proposed wedding date.

Confirmation: Adults seeking Confirmation should call the Parish Office.

Faith Formation, Confirmation, First Communion classes are in process.

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**St. Therese is a joyful and welcoming Catholic Parish,
united in Christ, promoting discipleship through community,
outreach and service.**

What We Believe: The Beauty of the Catholic Faith
DVD series by Ascension Press (trailer available online)
Available to all adults between Sun. Masses, and to RCIA students.
No sign up required. 3rd floor - All Welcome; Join Us!
Questions? Need more information? formationdre@catholicwb.org

The 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

funds many ministries that allow us to educate the next generation. In addition to the ongoing formation of priests and deacons currently serving in our diocese, the Bishop's Annual Appeal provides funds needed to educate our future priests. The Bishop's Annual Appeal also provides opportunities for our elementary, middle and college-age youth to grow in their Catholic faith through Catholic schools and campus ministry. Please help us continue to nurture the youth in our communities as we help them evolve and grow closer to Jesus.

We are STRONGER TOGETHER.

Our Parish Goal:
\$106,225.95

<https://dioceseofraleigh.org/bishops-annual-appeal/bishops-annual-appeal-donate-online>

Italian Pilgrimage

St. Mark invites any interested St. Therese folks to join them on their Italian Pilgrimage May 8-17, 2023. Highlights include: Rome, Vatican City, Monte Cassino, Positano, and more! (Optional tour to Florence, Padua and Venice.)

Want more information?

See poster on our bulletin board or visit:
<https://www.pilgrimages.com/marapoti/>

Pregnant & Need Help? Some additional resources.....

Lifeline Pregnancy Center - 910.392.0001

Abortion Pill Reversal - 1.877.558.0333

Project Rachel - 1.888.456.4673

HOPEAFTERABORTION.ORG

Pray the Rosary!

Many gifts are attributed to those who faithfully pray the rosary, including: receipt of signal graces & armor against Hell, destruction of vice, decrease of sin, defeat of heresies, and more! Want to learn more? Pray *before* the daily Masses at 11:30AM in the church....
patriciabwesterlund@gmail.com

Respect Life Lunch & Meeting

(multi-parish)

"End of life" topics...

Tuesday, March 28, 12:30PM

Parish Hall

Bev.jolly@att.net

St. Therese Pro-Life Apostolate

In the Parish Hall, Monthly, *First Friday*

May 5, 10:00AM* (no April meeting on Good Friday)

Contact: jpaparozzi@yahoo.com 910.471.1534 or

tahoolie@fidei.email 910.620.1009

Also: Watch "Into Life" video series - 3rd Friday of month

[Contact anytime for pro-life prayer concerns, specific needs, or if *you* are willing to pray about specific pro-life issues.]

Scripture Circle

Meeting held on Thursdays at 12:30PM in the Parish Hall

All welcome for reading, prayer, and faith-sharing!

Contact for more info: bibikabad@hotmail.com or NourishYourSpirit2012@gmail.com

Scholarships for Future Saints

Msgr. Christopher Dennen Assembly invites inquiries about "Scholarships for Future Saints" - Gold, Silver, and Bronze awards for first-time college enrollees totaling \$7,000. Get the application by emailing the chairperson: 2023scholarship@ec.rr.com

St. Stanislaus Catholic Church Easter Frozen Food Sale

Saturday - March 25 9AM to 1PM

Pierogis and Kielbasa from Pennsylvania (frozen) - various fillings

Also: Potato pancake batter & Kolachi rolls (various fillings)

Need more information? 910-675-2336

Catholic Charities Cape Fear Regional Office

New Location!

**4280 US Hwy 421 N - Suite 110
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-251-8130**

St. Mark invites any interested St. Therese parishioners to their **Grief Support Group**: Tuesdays - 4:30PM to 6PM (San Juan Diego room) Need info? 910.297.4875

Stations of the Cross 6:00PM - Fridays

during Lent (except Good Friday)

Sgt. Eugene Ashley Memorial Center

Please contact Sally Gustie if you are interested in joining some of your fellow parishioners in helping to provide Friday meals for the residents of this transitional housing center for veterans. This very flexible volunteer opportunity includes such tasks as cooking, prep work, etc. (The veterans themselves do the clean-up.

Contact Sally to find out more:

gustiesally@gmail.com or 910-409-7627

Wilmington Catholic Radio

Wilmington Catholic Radio can be heard on stations **91.7 FM**, **93.1 FM**, and **103.1 FM** in Wilmington. Shows can also be heard online on their website at: www.wilmingtoncatholicradio.com

Donate for Earthquake Relief Turkey & Syria

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Men - start your weekend off right!

Saturdays at 7:30a.m.

Join other men of St. Therese on Saturday mornings for coffee, bagels, and candid conversation about how we can become better Catholic men.

We read and discuss scripture, but most of the time spent together consists of open dialogue about how these readings relate to real events in our lives. We are fortunate to have our faith to guide us. Meeting like this helps our faith to stay strong and to grow.

Inquiries? Email: jim@gibson-consultants.com

Please Pray for...

Rob Alford, Robert Anderson, Jeanne Ashey, Bill Baker, Jr., Mark Bianco, Eileen Balance, Paula Basso, Bill Batley, Todd Baumgartner, Doreen Bill, Nicole Birt, L. Black, Daphne Boothe, Shealyn Breen, Chuck Brown, Silas Brown, Matthew Burns, Leonel Cardenez, Rob Carroll, Michael Cahill, Rocco Campagna, Jimmy Carl, Caroline Ciocca, Carla Clark, Anne Cline, Dale Cromartie, Sharyn Curbo, Shawn Dahm, N. Davy, Karine Eason, Bob & Nancy Farris, Charlie P. Farris, Mary Galioto, Beth Grady, Jacqueline Gurarino, Gerry Geist, Wyatt Gildersleeve, Thomas Giorgio, The Griffin Family, Jacqueline Guarino, Elizabeth Hagan, Claudia Hamilton, Craig Hoffman, Clayton T. Housler, Lenore Hulser, Ed Hyer, Rachel Jacobs, Valerie Johnston, Richard P. Kelly, Laurie King, David Kmiec, Frank Kohn, Isabella Kolcun, Marie Korlacki, Rich Lalier, Kathleen LaMonica, Cheryl Lee, Rita Lenski, Annie Lewis, Aubrey Lueck, Jessica MacKay, Miriam Marlar, Elizabeth M. McConnell, Bill McCord, Holly McKittrick-Boyle, Jack McLaughlin, Kathy Meloche, Michele Milkiewicz, Claire Millican, Carmel Moffo-Hackert, Patricia Moore, Toni Meunier, Grace Morchauser, Joseph Nash, Terry Noe, Bob O'Toole, Gregory O'Toole, Erin Pascarosa, Debbi Pollock, Peter Pruium, Amanda Reda, Anthony Reda, Omaira Reid, Marissa Rhyne, Shirley Rhyne, Keith & Olga Rohland, Judy Ross, Sonya Row, Garry Rust, Mary Sanza, Mildred Sanza, Charlie Sarracino, Cheryl Schmitter, Steve Scott, Carol Schultz, David Scullin, Joe Scullin, Diane Sheedy, Melanie Smith, Bob Sparrow, Stella Spratt, Amy Sponseller, Karen Soteco, Nora Stamper, Irene Stein, Archie Stone, Cynthia Sullivan, Joseph Sullivan, Shawn Sweeney, Tom & Martha Swyney, Ashley, Brian & Clara Stamper, Mary Teller, Hailey Tucker, Donna Tumolo, Ben Van Pilsun, Larry Vacek, Nota Violagis, Melinda & Dale Walker, Kevin Ward, Kyle Warren, Stephen Weber, Nancy Weicht, Deacon Jim Welch, Phil Williams, Danielle Wilson

Good Friday Collection: the Holy Land Shrines

When you participate in this collection, you help support the world-wide network of Commissariats of the Holy Land. Through your generosity you can help the Franciscans whose responsibility it is to care for the Holy Places, as well as "living stones" - the Christians living there. It is vital we support Christians in that area of the world in order to maintain a Christian presence there.

Please be generous.

Reminder re: Recreational Parking

March 1, the blue tags started. *Parking lot enforcement is ongoing.* Please use the *Waynick* lot for beach parking whenever possible (*if physically able*) and keep *the middle lot open for those having specific business in the office building or church*, and the sand lot open for those beachgoers who are infirm, or who are parents with small children.

Saturdays: Beach-goers (hangtag or not) should exit all lots on no later than 3:30PM, (unless instructed otherwise, so those coming for Reconciliation and/or Mass have room to park.

There's no towing *during* Mass nor during scheduled events...

Welcome John Patrick Publishing!

John Patrick Publishing produces bulletins for over 500 churches all along the Eastern seaboard from New England to Florida.

[If you are interested in placing an ad to help defray the cost of producing the church bulletin: please contact: kzechello@jppc.net and refer to Bulletin #727]

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Other Opportunities to Give....

Apr 6 Holy Thurs. ["The Poor"]

Apr 7 Good Fri. ["The Holy Land"]

Apr 9 Priests' Retirement [Rice Bowl and Easter Flowers donations accepted throughout Lent]

St Joseph's Workers

(First Thursdays of the Month)

5:30PM - 6:30PM Adoration

6:30PM - 7:15PM Men's Spiritual Talk or Presentation

7:15PM - 8:15PM Men's Fellowship

Contact: Tom Lewis, nypdgreen34@gmail.com

**Lenten Communal Reconciliation Services:
*Tue 03-21, St. Stanislaus, 7PM***

***WED 03-22, Immaculate Conception, 7PM
and St. Joseph (Burgaw) 7PM***

THUR 03-23, UNCW, 7PM (last one!)

Food Pantry News

"The LORD is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want....."

YOU can help the poor and working-poor in our area who use the Food Pantry.

You can also make a monetary donation - write your check and mail directly to:

St. Joseph's Food Pantry, 1303 US 117, Burgaw, NC 28425

Want to help drive St. Therese's weekly donations to Burgaw? Contact: Jane Yemma, 910.547.4243

More Drivers Needed! Want to Drop off food donations for the pantry?

Visit the Parish Hall before or after Mass..... (Place items on the counter.) Soups, stews, small canned hams, spaghetti sauce, canned vegetables & fruits, and baking mixes, etc. are welcome at this time of year.

Want to make arrangements to drop off food at Joseph's directly? It can be done MONDAY, 10AM-12PM only. Contact Patricia Kopchick: 518-275-9887

Driving to Burgaw? Call first to check if any schedule changes are planned...

The Pantry staff invites all to put two shelf-stable food items into a box each day during **Lent** and bring them all for donation to St. Therese **on or before Palm Sunday!** This food will be distributed on Holy Thursday (with donated hams) to the needy so they may have a special Easter.

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