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PSALM 90:14

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
that we may shout for joy and gladness
all our days.

***Twenty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time***

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

This Week

Tuesday, September 10

12pm: Mass - *Dr. Patrick Keats (D)* by
Abigail Gripshover

Wednesday, September 11

12pm: Mass - *Lance Corporal Ross Carver (D)*
By the McLaren & Ham families

Thursday, September 12

12pm: Mass - *Charles "Chuck" Linfante* by *Sally & Pete Galioto*

12:30 - 4:00pm: Adoration, Church

12:45pm: Scripture Circle

Friday, September 13

12pm: No Daily Mass

Saturday, September 14

7:30am: Men's Group in Parish Hall

****No Beach Parking after 3:00pm****

4:15pm: Reconciliation in the Church

5:30pm: Mass - *Jayson Kmiec (D)* by
Denys & Dave Kmiec

Sunday, September 15

8:00am: Mass - *St. Therese Parishioners*

10:30am: Mass - *Paul Tretiak (D)*
by Marilyn Tretiak

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*Whoever does not carry his own cross and
come after me, cannot be my disciple.*

-- Lk 14:25-33

Interested in joining St. Therese?

Please contact the Parish Office.

No Masses or Activities Scheduled

September 16 - 20

Due to Priest Retreat

This Week's Saints/Special Observances

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St. Salvius of Albi

Wednesday: Patriot Day

Thursday: The Most Holy Name of Mary

Friday: St. John Chrysostom

Saturday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Stewardship

Offertory

Needed

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August

\$51,667.00

\$55,668.50

September

\$51,667.00

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Unavailable

At Early

Press Time

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Today's Readings

First Reading -- You sent your holy spirit from on high and thus were the paths of those on earth made straight (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

Psalms -- In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

Second Reading -- Paul asks Philemon to accept back his slave Onesimus as a brother (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

Gospel -- Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? (Luke 14:25-33).

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This Week's Scripture Readings

Monday: Col 1:24 -- 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

POST SUMMER CHALLENGES

With any luck, summer delights will continue a while past last weekend's Labor Day: refreshing recreation (with maybe an occasional swim) or enjoyable relaxation on the deck (with tasty outdoor grilling). Truth is, for some of us, this year's Labor Day came way too early. With many schools back in session for a while already, mealtimes and driving schedules needed readjustment to coordinate youth sports with adult commitments. Some religious education and parish programs resumed, too. No surprise, then, that this weekend's scriptures sound a little like post-summer challenges. For instance, Wisdom reminds us that believers in God can never be content with timid deliberations and unsure plans. Paul challenges longtime friend and follower Philemon to let the good you do be voluntary. Jesus instructs great crowds traveling with him--including us--on three things necessary for all true disciples to accomplish. On this early autumn weekend, our scriptures describe disciples lifelong labors.

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Mass Intentions:

We have Masses during the week that are still available for Mass Intentions in 2019. Contact the Parish Office if you would like to have a Mass said for a special intention.

Altar Flowers

**Sponsored this weekend
by Anne Marie Campbell
In Memory of
Jean & Anthony Pipoli**



Recreational Parking

*If you are parked in one of our lots for recreational beach use, you must display your current parking hangtag (this year's color: bright yellow).
Towing is in effect.*

*However, you do NOT need any type of a hangtag or sticker to attend Mass or other **scheduled** St. Therese church functions.*

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Confessions are usually heard on Saturdays from 4:15 PM - 5:00 PM in the Reconciliation Room at the Church, or at other times by appointment. Communal Services are scheduled during Advent and Lent.

Eucharistic Adoration: Usually 12:30 to 4pm on Thursdays.

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.

Marriage: Our wedding guidelines document which contains key information can be found at www.catholicwb.org/sacraments. Couples 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. Young people are usually confirmed in the 10th grade after two years of preparation.

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

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

NC Catholics is looking for help to repair hurricane damaged homes on October 12 & November 23.

Email: Jo-El.SidburySmith@raldioc.org

for more information, or to sign-up!

Plan Ahead! Watch the bulletin & bulletin board for upcoming opportunities coming soon:

**Seamen's Center Toiletries Drive (October 19-20) &
Catholic Charities Christmas Toy Drive (December 14-15)**

Rehearsals were to have resumed for our **Parish Choir** last Wednesday, September 4th at 7pm but were delayed due to Hurricane Dorian. **Join us on the 11th!** There are a few requirements in order to participate in the choir:

- You must enjoy having fun while learning.
- You must be open to being moved spiritually in ways you might not expect.
- Lastly, you must desire to worship the Lord with the gifts He has given you.

The following are NOT required: Musical training, the ability to read music, or a degree in music. We are a warm and welcoming group that gathers for prayer, music, and fellowship in and outside of rehearsals and worship.

If you have ever considered joining the choir, now is the time! If you have never considered it, pray and reflect on it and push yourself outside your comfort zone and the reward may be great.

If you have any questions or would like to join: contact Kevin Donnelly at: worship@catholicwb.org.

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The Catholic University of America

This weekend, a second collection will be taken up for The Catholic University of America. Located in the heart of the nation's capitol, Catholic University offers graduate & undergraduate courses in more than 180 academic programs. By giving to this collection, you will help support more than 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education at an institution that supports cutting edge research in multiple fields. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. It will also enable the continuance of The Catholic Project, a university initiative jumpstarted by philanthropy which aims to help bishops, priests, and the lay faithful develop a deeper understanding of the lay vocation and principles for effective action in the wake of the recent Church crisis, and be in service the Church, our nation and the world.

Learn more:
collection.catholic.edu

Please be generous.

Second/Special Collections - Remaining in 2019

September 8 - Catholic University of America
October 20 - Mission Sunday
November 10 - Archdiocese for Military Services

November 24 - Campaign for Human Development
December 8 - Retired Religious Fund
December 25 - Christmas,
Priest Welfare and Retirement #5

Thank you for your generous support!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians share a love for the Byzantine liturgy because it is during the Eucharist that the Church is most true to its identity, expresses its integrity, and discovers its vocation. Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians celebrate essentially the identical liturgy, with only very slight variations. It is a fairly complex ritual weaving together three separate layers of prayers: a liturgy prayed in the sanctuary by priests, often hidden by a curtain or screen; a liturgy sung by the assembly and led by a deacon in front of a screen formed of painted icons; and a third layer of private prayer by the priest, who prays in support of the deacon and the faithful. It is an eyes-wide-open experience, gorgeous in visuals, and filled with the sound of God's people singing prayer. The energy of the worship centers on the presence of Christ, largely through an awareness of heaven touching earth when the Church gathers to celebrate. In the late twentieth century, Latin Rite Catholics were encouraged to embrace a style of worship that was full, conscious, and active, a value that has never been lost in the East. The liturgy has great impact in its beauty, in its poetry and contemplation, and by the actions of bowing, signing with the cross, and chanting that are required of the assembly. Contact with the Eastern Church reveals some key values that have been obscured in our own Church and are slowly being recovered.

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Habitat for Humanity

Join Cape Fear Habitat for Humanity and several other local churches in building homes, hope, and community. How YOU can help:

*** Volunteer ***
*** Pray * Give ***

WEEKEND BUILD SCHEDULE

September 28 - PAINTING
October 5 - HARDWARE & BASEBOARDS

To view volunteer opportunities and to sign-up visit:

<http://vhub.at/faithbuild2019>

For more information contact Emily Cruz at
Emily.cruz@capefearhabitat.org

More info on the bulletin board at St. Therese....

*Our local St. Therese contact is
Donna Howard:*

*email
dngoward@gmail.com or 910-470-2478*

THE ST. THERESE FALL SHRIMP PAROO!

Saturday, September 21 - after the 5:30PM Mass

Where: The Parish Hall Deck

Why: All proceeds benefit local Catholic Charities serving the less-fortunate in our community

Menu: All You Can Eat - Steamed Shrimp, Grilled Chicken, Hot Dogs with all the fixings, Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Cake & Ice Cream, Soft Drinks & Iced Tea

Cost: \$20 per person

**Reservations taken: Aug 31; Sept 1, 7, 8, 14 and 15 or by contacting Mike Kane:
mikekane1800@gmail.com, or any Knight!**

Men - start your weekend off right!

Saturdays at 7:30a.m.

Join other men of St. Therese on Saturday mornings in the Parish Hall 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.

Hope to see you there.

Please Pray for Those Who Are Sick...

Bill Allen, Jeanne Ashey, Todd Baumgartner, Nicole Birt, Ann Bowes, Shealyn Breen, Chuck Brown, Silas Brown, Matthew Burns, Nancy Carrier, Rob Carroll, Caroline Ciocca, Shari Clements, Jeanne Davis, Maureen Donnelly, Ashley Eason, Bob Farris, Charlie Pat Farris, Andy Fisher, Gerry Geist, Angela Gittings, Claudia Hamilton, Rosemary Heath, Velma Herbulock, Debby Hester, Craig Hoffman, Nancy Johnson, Sandra Kelly, Lilliam Kingsbury, Frank Kohn, Isabella Kolcun, Marie Korlacki, Ray Kress, Cheryl Lee, Fr. Doug Lawson, Ray Liddy, Cecilia Mahoney, Sandra Malfa, Chip McGuire, Tom McMillan, Patricia Moore, Nicole Myers, "Missy", Rosie Norris, Bob and Young-Ok O'Toole, Gregory O'Toole, Sharon Parmenter, Marissa Rhyne, Nancy Ronne, Rich Ronne, Garry Rust, Heather Cunningham Rynne, Martha Sams, Charlie Sarracino, David Scullin, Diane Sheedy, Melanie Smith, Eugene Spagnoli, Bob & Doris Sparrow, Baby Stella Spratt, Nora Stamper, Irene Stein, Joanne Tineille, Anneliese Todd, Hailey Tucker, Donna Tumolo, Ben Van Pilsum, Lyne Welch, Bill Wilson

Please contact the Parish Office if names should be added or removed from this list.

2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA) Update

Visit: www.dioceseofraleigh.org/give - Click on Bishop's Annual Appeal

*Please contact our BAA chairperson, Mary Ares, at 910-313-6865, if you have questions about pledging. **We have met our goal!***

Remember: 100% over-goal is returned to our parish.



Parking - when attending Mass

Thanks for remembering....

- 1) Not to park in such a way that your car blocks other parking spots - preventing them from being used. Every parking space is incredibly valuable - particularly during the three weekend Masses.
 - 2) To exit the parking lot as soon as reasonably possible - particularly if your car is blocking someone else's.
- Also...**
- 3) There is NO overnight parking in our parking lots at any time (whether you display a yellow parking hangtag or not). If you leave your car overnight, you will be towed.
 - 4) If you are using your yellow hangtag for beach parking on Saturday, you must vacate the lot by 3:30pm. There is no beach parking during weekend Mass times. Of note, "facilities" are typically only available during parish scheduled events, so please plan accordingly.

Thank you in advance for courteous, and safe use of the parking lots.

RCIA -

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process in which non-Catholic adults (inquirers) learn about the rich tradition and teachings of our faith and gradually prepare for full initiation and welcome into the Catholic Church.

For more information on RCIA at St. Therese Parish, or if you are interested in being a sponsor or helping in some way, please contact:
Megan Gavrillen
at 910 256-2471
or by email: formation@catholicwb.org.

Weekday Masses at Noon, and Adoration

We are fortunate to have noontime Masses celebrated here at St. Therese - Tuesday through Fridays at 12pm, with Adoration on Thursday afternoons from 12:30 til 4:00pm. Weekday Masses are a beautiful (and quick!) way to inject some joy into your day. ...And being able to spend even a little bit of quiet prayer time during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursday afternoon is truly a gift.

For more info about Thursday afternoon Adoration, contact Chris Batley at wbbatley@aol.com.

St. Joseph's Food Pantry, Burgaw

".....So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me."

YOU can help the poor and working-poor nearby who use the Food Pantry, by bringing donated items to Mass on the weekend. Take your donations to the Parish Hall. (Food should go on the counter opposite the TV wall.) Bring only **nonperishable** items - & items that have not passed their expiration date.

Cereal is always in high demand.

You can also make a monetary donation to St. Joseph's - write your check and mail directly to:

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

Volunteers from St. Therese are instrumental in helping the pantry in a variety of ways: those donating food or money, ushers helping to make sure the food ends up in the Parish Hall, drivers taking the food to Burgaw each week on Tuesdays, and those distributing food Thursday afternoons.

Want to help? Contact : Jane Yemma, jry1950@yahoo.com

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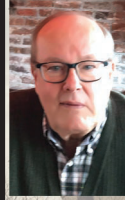
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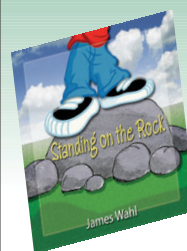
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