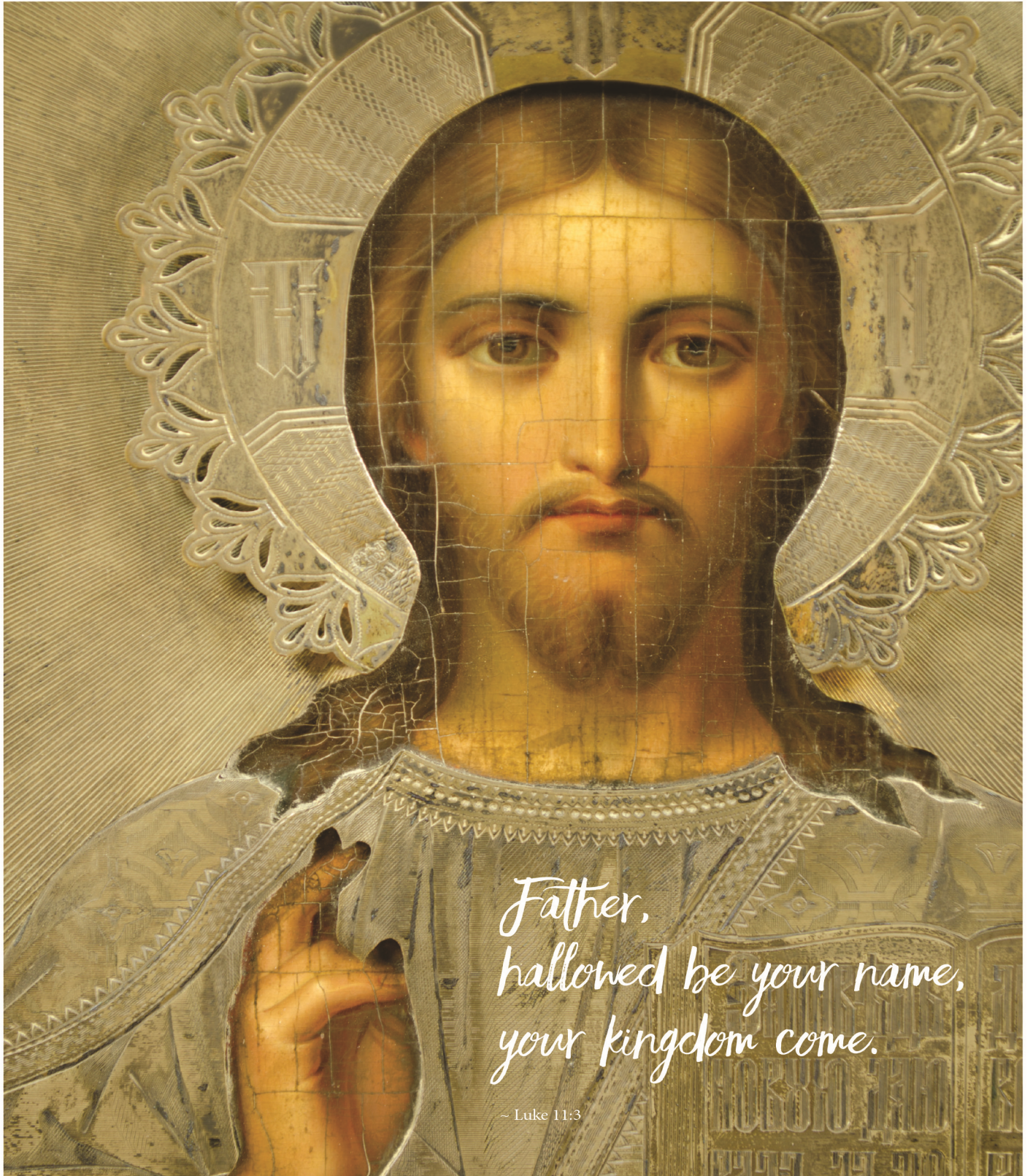




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July 24, 2022 | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*Father,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come.*

~ Luke 11:3

This Week	Stewardship		
<p><b><u>Sunday, July 24</u></b> 8:00AM Mass - Tom McMillan (D) 9:00AM - Confirmation/Youth Group in Parish Hall 10:30AM Mass - St. Therese Parishioners [Wedding rehearsal]</p> <p><b><u>Monday, July 25</u></b> 5:00PM - Wedding</p> <p><b><u>Tuesday, July 26</u></b> 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Linda McKernan (D)</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday, July 27</u></b> 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Virginia Cruz (D)</p> <p><b><u>Thursday, July 28</u></b> 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Park Lenhart (L) 12:30PM - Adoration 5:30PM - Benediction</p> <p><b><u>Friday, July 29</u></b> 11:30AM - Rosary 12:00PM - Mass - Rita Stelling (D)</p> <p><b><u>Saturday, July 30</u></b> 7:30AM - Men's Group 4:15PM - Reconciliation 5:00PM - Mass - Keith Larsen (D)</p> <p><b><u>Sunday, July 31</u></b> 8:00AM - Mass - Dan Basso (D) 9:00AM - Confirmation/Youth Group in Parish Hall 10:30AM - Mass - St. Therese Parishioners</p>	<b>Offertory</b>	<b>Needed</b>	<b>Received</b>
	<b>July 10, 2022</b>	<b>\$10,500.20</b>	<b>\$13,352.00</b>
	<b>July 17, 2022</b>	<b>\$10,500.20</b>	<b>\$15,651.00</b>
	<b>July 2022</b>	<b>\$52,501.00</b>	<b>\$47,380.50</b>
	<p><b>Please consider weekly or monthly (online) giving.</b> <b>Visit: <a href="http://www.catholicwb.org">www.catholicwb.org</a>; Click "online giving" and</b></p>		
	<p><b><u>TODAY'S READINGS</u></b> <b>First Reading</b> — Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).  <b>Psalm</b> — Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).  <b>Second Reading</b> — Buried with Christ in baptism, we were also raised with him; all our transgressions are forgiven (Colossians 2:12-14).  <b>Gospel</b> — Jesus speaks of God's sure response to those who pray (Luke 11:1-13).</p>		
	<p><b>This Week's Scripture Readings</b></p>		
	<p><b>Monday:</b> 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28  <b>Tuesday:</b> Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43  <b>Wednesday:</b> Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46  <b>Thursday:</b> Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53  <b>Friday:</b> Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42  <b>Saturday:</b> Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12  <b>Sunday:</b> Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21</p>		
<p><b><u>Interested in joining St. Therese?</u></b> Please contact the Parish Office.</p>			
<p><b>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> July 24, 2022 <b>"....the one who seeks, finds...."</b> <b>Lk 11:1-13</b></p>			
<p><b>This Week's Saints/Special Observances</b></p>			
<p><b>Sunday:</b> Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time <b>Monday:</b> Saint James <b>Tuesday:</b> Saints Joachim and Anne <b>Wednesday:</b> Blessed Titus Brandsma <b>Thursday:</b> Saint Victor <b>Friday:</b> Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus <b>Saturday:</b> Saint Peter Chrysologus; The Blessed Virgin Mary</p>			
<p>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>			

## CONVERSATION WITH GOD

Prayer is our focus this weekend. In the Gospel, Jesus gives his disciples, and us, the Lord's Prayer, which we have cherished through the centuries. The first two words encompass much about our faith—unity among all Christians (Our), and a sense that we are in a deeply bonded relationship with God (Father).

In Genesis, we see Abraham in conversational prayer, in his creaturely humility before his Creator, seeking mercy and compassion for the innocent. The psalm is a lyrical prayer of thanksgiving and praise for the God who answered the sincere prayers of a people who had called out for help, showing them mercy. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples want to pray like Jesus, with the same intimacy—to experience God as Abba in the depths of their being.

Do we try to talk to God? Do we listen for answers? This relationship is always a work in progress.

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**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.

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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.

### Altar Flowers

Next weekend, altar flowers will be sponsored by Donna Howard in loving memory of her late husband, Dr. Greg Howard.

If you would like to sponsor weekend flowers for \$110, please call the Parish Office, 910-256-2471.

### Altar Server Training

Sunday, August 28, 12PM-3PM  
Contact: Rich Ronne for information!  
[ronne@snet.net](mailto:ronne@snet.net)

## SACRAMENTS

**Reconciliation:** Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 4:15 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](http://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 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 :** Registration Aug 28 & Sept 4. New classes will begin September 11.

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

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## **Summer Golf Outings**

**Knights of Columbus Council #1074 Golf Tournament**

**Save the Date: Monday, August 22, Pine Valley Country Club, Wilmington  
[frankmkofonly@gmail.com](mailto:frankmkofonly@gmail.com)**

**Drive Out Hunger Golf Outing**

**Benefits Catholic Charities' Food Pantries across the Diocese**

**Monday, August 15, Prestonwood Country Club, Cary NC**

**Golfer Registration full; but sponsorship still available:**

**<https://www.catholiccharitiesraleigh.org/events/golf-2022/>**

## **ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE?**

St. Therese has been helping prepare meals for families of loved ones receiving care at Lower Cape Fear Hospice for many years. If you are interested in helping once, or more frequently, with this "Meals of Love" ministry, contact:

Meg Small, 910.742.7027, [meg.small352@gmail.com](mailto:meg.small352@gmail.com)

[Lunches are provided to hospice's client families twice a month - on Fridays.]

## **Priests' Welfare & Retirement Fund**

**2nd Collection - Labor Day Weekend, September 3 & 4**

**This collection supports priests in *our* Diocese of Raleigh, who are retired *OR* who are unable to work due to illness or infirmity. The late Monsignor Matthew Hendrick, the late Father Joe Vetter, the late Father Trent Watts and Father Gene Grabowski all benefitted from this important fund. (The second collections help to offset the *significant* obligation we have to pay annually to the Diocese. What we do not collect in the 2nd collections during the year, comes out of our regular operating budget.)**

***Please be generous.....***

**Scripture Circle is held on Thursdays at 12:30PM in the Parish Hall!**

***All welcome for reading, prayer, and faith-sharing.....***

**Contact: [bibikabad@hotmail.com](mailto:bibikabad@hotmail.com) or [NourishYourSpirit2012@gmail.com](mailto:NourishYourSpirit2012@gmail.com)**

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, protector of those who hope in you,  
without whom nothing has firm foundation,  
nothing is holy,  
bestow in abundance your mercy upon us  
and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide,  
we may use the good things that pass  
in such a way as to hold fast even now  
to those that ever endure.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

### Reflection:

*In what ways can I use the good things of this world without clinging to them?*

### Post - Confirmation Class

**When? Weekly, Sunday**

**Time? 9:00AM**

**Where? Parish Hall**

**Who? Those who were confirmed this past May**

**(In the Fall, this Summer group will become the Youth Group.)**

**Questions? [gushertz@gmail.com](mailto:gushertz@gmail.com)**

### **Congratulations!**

**2022 Scholarships for Future Saints  
(Knights of Columbus Assembly 2017)  
Received their awards Sunday, July 10:**

**Silver: Catherine Hertz**

**Bronze: Gianna Holden**

### **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](http://www.wilmingtoncatholicradio.com)**

### **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.

*On-site meetings have resumed in the Parish Hall. Inquiries?  
Email: [jim@gibson-consultants.com](mailto:jim@gibson-consultants.com)*

## Please Pray for...

Rob Alford, Bill Allen, Jeanne Ashey, Bill Baker, Jr., Mark Bianco, Eileen Balance, Paula Basso, Todd Baumgartner, Erma Bianco, Doreen Bill, Nicole Birt, L. Black, Shealyn Breen, Chuck Brown, Silas Brown, Matthew Burns, Leonel Cardenez, Rob Carroll, Michael Cahill, Jimmy Carl, Caroline Ciocca, Carla Clark, Anne Cline, Perry Coxe, Dale Cromartie, Tom Daly, N. Davy, Susan DuVernois, Ashley Eason, Karine Eason, Caleb Emmons, Bob & Nancy Farris, Charlie P. Farris, Mary Galioto, Jacqueline Gurarino, ohn Geiger, Gerry Geist, Wyatt Gildersleeve, Thomas Giorgio, The Griffin Family, Elizabeth Hagan, Claudia Hamilton, Duane Haugan, Craig Hoffman, Barbara Holderfield, Clayton T. Housler, Lenore Hulser, Claire Hunter, Ed Hyer, Maureen Jackson, Laurie King, David Kmiec, Frank Kohn, Isabella Kolcun, Marie Korlacki, Ray Kress, Rich Lalier, Cheryl Lee, Annie Lewis, Aubrey Lueck, Dawn Mak, Jessica MacKay, Miriam Marlar, Elizabeth M. McConnell, Bill McCord, Holly McKittrick-Boyle, Michele Milkiewicz, Claire Millican, Carmel Moffo-Hackert Patricia Moore, Toni Meunier, Nicole Myers, Terry Noe, Bob and Young-Ok O'Toole, Gregory O'Toole, Erin Pascarosa, Debbi Pollock, Peter Pruium, Amanda Reda, Anthony Reda, Omaira Reid, Marissa 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, Nora Stamper, Irene Stein, Archie Stone, Cynthia Sullivan, Joseph Sullivan, Tom & Martha Swyne, Mary Teller, Hailey Tucker, Donna Tumolo, Ben Van Pilsum, Nota Viologis, Melinda & Dale Walker, Kyle Warren, Stephen Weber, Nancy Weicht, Deacon Jim Welch, Phil Williams

## **Faith Formation Registration**

***In-person, two weekends:  
August 27/28 and September 3/4  
[In the Parish Hall]***

**Fall Classes Begin Sunday, September 11, 9:00AM**

### **Reminder re: Recreational Parking**

The 2022 yellow hangtags are in effect and *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: Beachgoers (hangtag or not) should exit all lots on no later than 3:30PM, so those coming for Reconciliation and/or Mass have room to park. There's no towing *during* Mass or scheduled events, as we are 'open to the public' for those who are attending our liturgies...

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<b>Sep 4</b>	<b>Priests' Retirement</b>
<b>Sep 11</b>	<b>Catholic University</b>
<b>Oct 23</b>	<b>Mission Sunday</b>

***This weekend's Altar  
Flowers are  
sponsored by:***

***Carmel Duea In Honor  
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***[Contact the Parish Office if you'd like to sponsor]***

## Food Pantry News

**"...And I tell you, ask and you will receive....."**

***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***

**\*Volunteers (adult & young adult) are needed. Contact Patricia Kopchick.....**

***St. Therese on-site drop-off of food continues:***

***Drop off donations in the Parish Hall before or after Mass.....***

*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 Check if any changes due to Easter Week!*

*Want to help drive items to Burgaw? Contact: Jane Yemma, 910.547.4243*

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