

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. July 1 - Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24
Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 2 Cor 8:7, 9,
13-15 Cf. 2 Tm 1:10 Mk 5:21-43 or
5:21-24, 35b-43

Mon. July 2 - Am 2:6-10, 13-16 Ps
50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 Ps
95:8 Mt 8:18-22

Tues. July 3 - Eph 2:19-22 Ps
117:1bc, 2 Jn 20:29 Jn 20:24-29

Wed. July 4 - Am 5:14-15, 21-24
Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17 Jas
1:18 Mt 8:28-34

Thurs. July 5 - Am 7:10-17 Ps
19:8, 9, 10, 11 2 Cor 5:19 Mt 9:1-8

Fri. July 6 - Am 8:4-6, 9-12 Ps
119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131 Mt 11:28 Mt
9:9-13

Sat. July 7 - Am 9:11-15 Ps 85:9ab
and 10, 11-12, 13-14 Jn 10:27 Mt 9:14-
17

**July Birthday List
Happy Birthday to::**

Peggy Green	1
Mona Richard	6
George Alexander	6
Stefanie Allison	6
Turquoy Riggs	10
Joise Curtis	10
Brent Hebert	12
Ronald Hebert	12
E'Retrious Gus	13
Lanier Robertson	16
David Riggs	20
Maria Riggs	23
Claude Riggs	29
Lester Popillion	30

Happy Anniversary

Joe & Mary Ware	4th
John & Janice Semien	13th
Mormom & Ann Richard	25th
George & Cecilia Davis	27th
Deacon Julian & Gloria Richard	31st

**COORDINATORS OF
MINISTRIES**

Activities - Brushelle Scott
Bishop Faith Appeal - Shirley Ray
Bereavement Committee - Rose Bottley

Donut Sunday's - Freda Guillory*
Donuts and coffee in the Education
Building 1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday of
each month.

**Extraordinary Minister of
Communion** - Shirley Ray

Finance - Andre' Robertson *
finance meetings are held *every 2nd*
Wednesday of *each* month.

Fund Raiser - Walter Davis

Hospitality/Ushers - Rose Davis

Lectors - Gary Mims

Life Center - Adam Jacobs

Plumbing - Joe Fontenot

Mission & Retreat - Cecilia Davis

Music Director - George Alexander
* choir rehearsal are every Tuesday at
6:30 pm

Pastoral Council meetings held *every*
3rd Wednesday of *each* month.

Socials - Knights of Peter Claver &
Ladies Auxiliary * Parish Luncheon,
the second Sunday of each month.

Youth - Felicia Richard

Stewardship-Wayne Sparrow

Attendance

Saturday: 40 Sunday: 53

**Weekend Collection
2nd collection Mission Appeal**

Mail In	\$ 270.00
Mission App	\$ 441.42
Life Cent	\$ 350.00
Diocese/mileage	\$ 790.25
Loose	\$ 46.00
Saturday	\$ 510.00
Sunday	\$ 1,491.00

Total Deposit \$ 3,898.67

Expenses: spectrum <\$ 114.08 >
Entergy <\$ 1,142.71 >
direct TV <\$ 160.87 >
City of orange <\$ 347.67 >

St. Therese Catholic Church

Served by The Missionary Society of St. Paul from Nigeria since 2000

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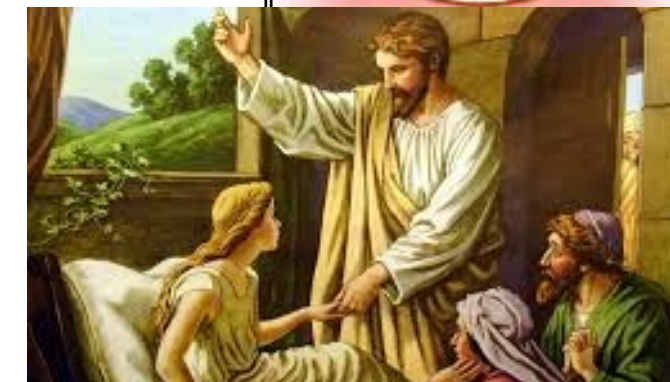
Office Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 1, 2018

**“Little girl, I say to you,
arise!”**



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:

Saturday 8:00 a.m. Vigil: 4:00 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
NO Saturday 8:00 a.m. on Funeral day's

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:20 p.m. 3:55 p.m.

**Exposition & Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament**

Every Friday: 6 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction

1st Friday each month 5p.m.-6p.m.

Infant Baptism:

Please contact the pastor two
(2) months in advance

Marriage:

Please call Rectory six (6) months
prior to proposed date

SECRETARY

Cindy Hampton (409) 882-0935

PARISH COUNCIL

Richard Scott, Chairman	779-7587
Rose Davis, Vice Chairman	883-0762
Steven Allison, Secretary	313-0586
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Janice Semien	883-7126
Tina Kindle	238-4447

**MASS INTENTIONS
for the Week**

Sunday, July 1, 2018 9:00 am Mass
Jacobs and Monroe Families
requested by Mary J. J. Monroe

Mon. July 2, NO MASS

Tues. July 3, 8:00 am

Wed. July 4, 8:00 am

Thurs. July 5, 8:00 am

Fri. July 6, 8:00 am
Exposition & Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm

Saturday, July, 2018 8:00 am
NO morning Mass on any Saturday we
are have a Funeral. Mass will be by 10am
3:20 - 3:55 Reconciliation
4:00 p.m. Mass

(N.B. You can request Mass to be
offered for you/your love ones, or any
deceased person. Speak with the Pastor
or call the office to schedule your mass
intention).

**MINISTRIES FOR THE
WEEKEND HOSPITALITY**

Sat: Brenda Mims, Rose Davis,
Walter Davis & Richard Scott

Sun: Joe Fontenot, Rose Bottley,
Emmanuel Taylor, Coretta Ambers

ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:

Saturday: A: Gary Mims
L: Eva Platt

Sunday: A: Wayne Sparrow
L: Lucy Jones & Horace Broussard

ALTAR SERVER:

Saturday: Reagan Pitre William Pitre
Sunday: D'Ana Williams

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Saturday Richard Scott &
Freda Guillory
Sunday: Glory Richard &
Shirley Ray

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Heart to Heart

“Heart speaks to heart” was the motto of Cardinal John Henry Newman. This man of great learning was also a pastor and a man of exquisite spiritual insight. He valued and balanced mind and heart. His learning was brought to the service of the needs of his companions as well as those in his charge.

FIRST READING: Wisdom 1:13–15; 2:23–24 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 30:2, 4, 5–6, 11, 12, 13
SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13–15 GOSPEL: Mark 5:21–43 [21–24, 35b–43]

Comment

Among the Old Testament books, the book of Wisdom was written a mere handful of years before the birth of Jesus. Its words are a balm to us: God does not “rejoice in the destruction of the living. ... The creatures of the world are wholesome, and there is not a destructive drug among them ...” (1:13, 14)

This first reading skips to a reflection on the life and death of the soul. The reading omits the sardonic riff mimicking the materialist, who decides essentially that in the face of our inevitable physical death, we ought to eat, drink, and be merry. The materialist scorns the upright and just people because they rebuke those who seek material comforts. Today, the writer of Wisdom says that the materialist has it all wrong. We are imperishable. There is for us no second death, no death of the human spirit made in God’s image.

Nor does Jesus rejoice in the destruction of the living. His presence and touch bring life. Further, he risks the sarcasm and opprobrium of the powerful. Today’s Gospel sets before us a miracle wrapped in a miracle. An official of the synagogue begs Jesus to come to his home, for his little daughter is deathly ill. Jesus walks with this man, and on the way, a woman’s need overcomes her fear. She reaches out simply to touch his garment. She is cured. Then her boldness comes to light. Even though crowds crush upon Jesus, the woman is discovered. She confesses her faith in Jesus’ ability to cure her, and he declares that her faith cured her. He bids her go on her way forever freed from the source of illness and sin.

The child, too, is awakened from either a deep and deadly sleep or from death itself; one cannot tell. And it does not matter, really. She is cured, and Jesus asks that she be attended to. She is healthy enough to keep food down. A good sign.

These are touching miracles, literally and figuratively. Jesus cannot seem to help himself. Two desperate people reach out to him. Jesus responds, though it is against the Law that prohibits touching one with an issue of blood and touching the dead. Jesus knew and acted on a deep knowledge that God does not “rejoice in the destruction of the living” and that “the creatures of the world are wholesome” (Wisdom 1:13, 14).

Reflection

Jesus set out to save people, not to win arguments. Today, his compassionate words and actions reveal the deepest truth of his life and of God’s life, too. For God did not make death or desire the destruction of the living. Interestingly, in the *Divine Comedy*, Dante pictures the very depths of hell as ice, not fire, for the cold, white paralysis of ice so aptly depicts the hellish state of lovelessness. Jesus chooses death’s opposite—the warmth and light that draws us as surely as a lost child is drawn to the porch light, as the ship on the storm-tossed sea searches for the beacon.

The way of compassion so clearly enunciated as the ideal in the Book of Wisdom is enfolded in the generous companionship of Jesus as he walks with desperate Jairus and is accosted by an equally desperate woman who pushes herself forward in such an unseemly manner. Jesus does not stand on ceremony; he does not claim special privileges. He leans toward Jairus, toward the woman, toward the child. This is how he wins hearts. This is how heart speaks to heart.

And this is how Paul exhorts his fellow Christians at Corinth. Actually, he’s soliciting contributions from the richer church for the poorer ones. They are rich in faith and discourse and knowledge. He wants them to abound in charity, and he has a good ideas about how they might demonstrate that charity.

PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Deacon Julian Richard
Mary Brown
David Jayce Carey
Courtney Chavis
Florence Craig
Therese Ferguson
Hollis Fain
Joe B. Forward
Ella Mae Garrett
Anna Garrick
Mary Gray
Beatrice Guillory
Mark Mitchell Jr.
James Mims
Westley Popillion
John Richard, Sr.
Mormon Richard
Alma C Thibodeaux



PRAY FOR THE SICK

James Arceneaux
George Davis
Mable Durio
Alberta Fontenot
Frances Freeman
Debra Glaude
Margaret Green
Peggy Green
Myrtle Guillory
Rena Mae Jenkins
Celestine Johnson
Calvin Johnson
Stacy Johnson
Rose Lee Johnson
Lakeisha Guidry-Jones
Leothus Jones
John King
Ruby Milton
Bettye Odom
Clayona Pilette
Johnny Riggs
Doris Robertson
Robert Simmons
Mary Ware
Joe Ware

Parish Luncheon

The Parish Luncheon will be Sunday, July 8, 2018. Please make your schedules accordingly, we don’t want to leave anyone out. This is a Parish Social Event and **All** is ask to attend.

Family and Friends

We are pleased to announce the upcoming Family and Friends weekend celebration, Friday, October 26 through Sunday, October 28, 2018. For a great outcome, it will take a lot of planning and we are asking for volunteers to serve on this committee. The first meeting will be Monday, July 30, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the Education Building. For more information please contact Freda Guillory or Fr. Donatus. Thanks in advance.

ST. Veronica Committee

St. Veronica Committee and Fr. Donatus meet every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. to clean the Church, the same way Veronica wipes the face of Jesus on the sixth stations of the Cross. Everyone of us should be a member of this cleaning committee. To wipe our parish clean is to wipe the face of Jesus. If anyone or family wants to come to clean the Church at a different time that is more convenient for them, please call Fr. Donatus for the key.

Bishop Faith Appeal
Goal : \$17,310 Pledges: \$15,515.
Paid: \$ 7,920.

It is time to begin our yearly commitment to our BFA goal for 2018. Everyone is asked to make their pledges and payments. If you have any questions or concerns about your contributions to BFA please contact Shirley Ray at (409) 779-9922. or Fr. Donatus (409) 454-3958. Romans 8:28 says We know that all things work together for good, for those who love God, who are the called according to his purpose. We are look forward to the continued growth of our parish

To all our sick and homebound THANK YOU so much for your unwavering commitment and contributions to our parish. To better serve everyone Fr. Donatus is available to visit **ALL** parishioners at the appointed time. However, Fr. Donatus has reserved the second and forth Friday of the month for the homebound.

NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. THERESE—THE LITTLE FLOWER

St. Therese, beloved friend, you promised to spend your time in heaven doing good upon the earth. WE come before you in our need. We believe that you listen to us and approach God for and with us. You are love in the heart of the God. Please accept these petitions, hopes, needs and dreams that I list below (pause).

Please present them to our loving Father so that God may do what is best for us, for our loved ones, and for the fulfillment of God’s Kingdom. Continue your shower of roses in our lives. We ask you, dear friend with the bold confidence and loving care. We make this prayerful petition in the name of Jesus and through the power of his Spirit. **AMEN.**

ATTENTION EVERYONE Game Nights

St. Therese’s GAME NIGHT is for everyone to enjoy. Please join us every Tuesday evening at 7 and every first (1st) and third (3rd) Saturday of each month at 5 pm. Every adult and child are welcomed. There are assorted games available. If anyone would like to bring their own game to share with everyone, you are welcome to do so. Hope to see you there!

For any questions or information contact Brushelle Scott (409) 779-7365

St. Therese Vacation Bible School

Parents and Guardians, there is still time Vacation Bible School has been rescheduled due to the rains early this past week. You are invited to sign your student up for a week of vacation bible school. VBS will begin July 16th through July 20th, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Students, elementary to high school is invited to a week of learning God’s plan for us. Each day we will also have, music, and activities. Hope to see you there. God bless!

If anyone is free to assist in Vacation Bible School please contact Sonja Popillion at (409) 670-0808 or Cecilia Davis at (409) 920-1136