

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. Oct. 28 - Jer 31:7-9 Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 Heb 5:1-6 Cf. 2 Tm 1:10 Mk 10:46-52

Mon. Oct. 29 - Eph 4:32-5:8 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Jn 17:17b, 17a Lk 13:10-17

Tues. Oct. 30 - Eph 5:21-33 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 See Mt 11:25 Lk 13:18-21

Wed. Oct. 31 - Eph 6:1-9 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 See 2 Thes 2:14 Lk 13:22-30

Holy Day of Obligation Thurs. Nov 1. - Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 1 Jn 3:1-3 Mt 11:28 Mt 5:1-12a

Holy Day of Obligation Fri. Nov 2 - Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9 Mt 25:34 Jn 6:37-40

Sat. Nov 3 - Phil 1:18b-26 Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef Mt 11:29ab Lk 14:1, 7-11

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH

- 1st wk. * Choir & Ushers
- 2nd wk. * Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies of Auxiliary
- 3rd wk. * Extra-Ordinary Ministry of Communion & Lectors
- 4th wk. * Youth
- 5th wk. * ALL Parishioners

WEEKLY MASS

Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018 9:00 am Mass

Mon. Oct. 29, NO MASS

Tues. Oct. 30, 8:00 am

Wed. Oct. 31, 8:00 am

Thurs. Nov. 1, 8:00 am & 6:00 pm

Fri. Nov. 2, 8:00 am & 6:00 pm
Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm

Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018 8:00 am
3:20 - 3:55 Reconciliation

4:00 p.m. Mass

**Richard Guillory
Requested by Freda Guillory**

(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).

COORDINATORS OF MINISTRIES

Meeting for ALL COORDINATORS will be held every 4th Thursday of each month

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.

Environmental - Ina Chavis

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Dorothy Broussard

Finance - Janice Semien *
finance meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Fund Raiser - Walter Davis

Hospitality/Ushers - Rose Davis

Lectors - Peggy Green

Life Center - Adam Jacobs

Plumbing - Joe Fontenet

Mission & Retreat - Cecilia Davis

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

Pastoral Council - Richard Scott
meetings held every 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Religious Education - Sonja Popillion

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

Youth - Felicia Richard

Stewardship- Gary Mims

Attendance

Saturday: 43 Sunday: 70

**Weekend Collection
2nd collection - World Mission**

Mail In	\$ 110.00
World Mission	\$ 191.00
F/F t-shirts	\$ 890.00
Service refund	\$ 27.56
Loose	\$ 91.00
Saturday	\$ 395.00
Sunday	\$ 1,340.00

Total Deposit \$ 3,044.56

**October Birthday List
Happy Birthday to:**

Andre Robertson	2
Clayona Pillette	3
John Judge	4
Ann Richard	5
Fredrick Green	6
Janice Semien	8
Rick Orebo	10
Rachel Gobert	16
Justin Jackson	16
Jaquez Turner	18
Johnathan Hampton	18
Shelia James	23
Troy Hayes	23
Craig Orebo	26
Mary Ware	26

Happy Anniversary

George & Mary Alexander	30th
Paul & Zena Thibodeaux	

MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND: HOSPITALITY

Sat: Shirley Allison, Rose Davis, Walter Davis & Willie Olivier

Sun: Veronica Bradford, Dorothy Jacobs, Elizabeth Mitchell, Fred Green

ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:

Saturday: **1st Rdr.:** Leo Jackson
2nd Rdr.: Freda Guillory

Sunday: **1st Rdr.:** Amaya Leblanc
2nd Rdr.: Eva Platt

**1st reader = greeting & responsorial
2nd reader = prayer of faithful & announcements**

ALTAR SERVER

Saturday: **Needed**

Sunday: **Needed**

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Saturday Gail Jefferson & Richard Scott

Sunday: Dorothy Broussard & Freda Guillory

Expenses:

**admin <\$ 1,802.63>
Center Point <\$ 85.15>
Security System <\$ 48.70>**

St. Therese Catholic Church

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Deacon Julian Richard (409) 221-2743
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Office Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 28, 2018

“Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me.”

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
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MAINTENANCE & GROUNDS

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Janice Semien	883-7126
Robert Gobert	(504) 232-5640
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Tina Kindle	238-4447

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Seeing

In our everyday language, we easily move from literal sight, as in seeing a cardinal in the trees, to the sight that is insight or understanding. We see a solution, we see an ideal or a principle. We understand the meaning of the inner eye. Insight hints at this understanding. Even blind people will easily and unself-consciously say that they see. All of us are blind and all of us see in complex ways.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:7-9 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-6 GOSPEL: Mark 10:46-52

Comment

Jeremiah's prophecy is no doubt placed here because it pairs up so nicely with the Gospel. God's compassion for the battered and fragile exiles is evident, as is Jesus' compassion for blind, desperate Bartimaeus. We have in both readings the image of a road and of an unmistakable hum and buzz.

This is not any old day for the tribes of Ephraim. Captive people exiled in a strange land pay close attention to their captors. They detect the slightest nuance of change, and now they can feel change in the air. Their nostrils pick up the scent of smoldering fires. Something threatens their captors, who lack the strength to keep them captive. The Assyrians lose their grip as the Babylonians and Medes begin to overwhelm them. Exiles are not worth the time and effort of anybody, so they are sent home.

All this good news that buzzes over the heads of sons and daughters of Jacob is God's doing, says Jeremiah. The remnant is going home. Everybody receives the fullest extent of God's compassion. The lame and blind, as well as the resilient but more vulnerable expectant mothers—all, all of them will be consoled and guided by the Lord. The road will be smoothed out; it will pass by fresh brooks. Ease and refreshment are the order of the day. Thus the father of Israel speaks to Ephraim, Israel's first-born.

And as we see in the Gospel, something surely hums and buzzes above Bartimaeus' head. His other senses compensate for his lack of sight. He hears and feels and smells something in the air. Its very quality is charged with energy, because this day Jesus of Nazareth and his disciples and a sizeable crowd move out of Jericho into the open country.

Bartimaeus senses that this is his big chance and he makes the most of it, shouting out Jesus' name, throwing in a title for good measure. The crowds are embarrassed and strive to silence Bartimaeus. This serves the opposite end, and he makes more of a fuss. Finally, Jesus hears, and asks that Bartimaeus be brought near. Jesus talks to him. He does not presume to know what Bartimaeus really wants. What he wants is sight, and what he brings to this encounter is his firm, noisy faith.

Reflection

That inner-seeing, that faith, saved Bartimaeus. And that faith brought the sunlit world into his eyes. His inner vision saved him and made possible the first sight he beheld: Jesus, the Son of David, the Rabboni, his savior, the object of his faith. Bartimaeus followed Jesus up the road. One can imagine that one road forked off into others, intersecting another, and another, and another. There is no telling where faith led Bartimaeus. He must never have tired of telling the story over and over and over. The story of his salvation was never an old story for him; it was always a source of amazement.

The play of sight and insight, of vision and faith, always holds our imagination. When we begin in faith, the world reveals gifts that might otherwise be hidden. We, like Bartimaeus, begin in faith, and then we see—and see and see. Faith comes before seeing. If we believe that God is with us in our world, we will see God operative in our world and in our lives. We begin believing and go on to ask ourselves how this faith sheds light on our everyday life as we go up the road following him.

PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND

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
Rena Mae Jenkins
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
Calvin Johnson
Stacy Johnson
Rose Lee Johnson
Lakeisha Guidry-Jones
Leothus Jones
John King
Ruby Milton
Bettye Odom
Clayona Pillette
Herman Richard
Claudine Riggs
Doris Robertson
Robert Simmons
Mark Thibodeaux
Mary Ware
Joe Ware

Family & Friends Weekend !!

On behalf of St. Therese Family & Friends team, it has been an honor and a privilege to share our faith with loved ones and strangers alike, reaching out and proclaiming the message of God and we look forward to a memorable time each year praising God and to fellowship with one another. The Gospel Extravaganza and St. Therese Feast Day has been great as it is because of everyone building God's kingdom together. **THANK YOU ALL** so much. Gratitude is one of the most powerful human emotions, because it not only enables us to appreciate what we already have, but also helps to attract new blessings into our lives. We cannot express our appreciation enough to all those who have made this event a success. Most importantly, the many friends and family who came out to support this occasion. All your hard work and contributions are recognized.

Youth and Youth Ministry Teams Day of Reflection

When: November 3, 2018

Where: St. Pius X Catholic Church
5075 Bigner Road, Bmt. TX 77708

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Speaker: Fr. Stephen Bell, CSP

Continental Breakfast & Light Lunch

Underwritten by a grant from the Black and Indian Mission Office and the generosity of the Bishops Faith Appeal [BFA]

Navy Park Trunk or Treat

ALL community children are invited to Come out and enjoy an evening of Halloween fun. Games, Food and Candy for the kids! Costumes are optional. The only requirement is to have FUN!!

Where: Navy Park Orange, TX

When: October 31st, 2018

Time: 5:30 until 7:00



ALL Soul's Day

There will be a memory Mass for all our deceased parishioners this Friday, the 2nd of Nov. by 8am and 6pm. Please, contact the parish office with the names and a stipend of \$5 for each name that is presented. The amount of the stipend is recommended by the diocese.

Bishop Faith Appeal Goal : \$17,310 Paid: \$15,815.

As we deepen our commitment to the Gospel message, we come to understand that stewardship is a way of life which empowers us to share what we have. Thank you for your contribution to BFA, a commitment of people helping people. Please let's continue our unwavering support. If you have any questions or concerns about your contributions please contact Shirley Ray or Fr. Donatus. In Philippians 4:13 we read: I can do all things through Christ whom strengthens me. Thank you for your commitment as we look forward to the continued growth of our parish

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.**

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.