

**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, Jan. 27, 2019 9:00 am Mass**

Mon. Jan. 28, NO MASS

Tues. Jan. 29, 8:00 am

Wed. Jan. 30, 8:00 am

Thurs. Jan. 31, 8:00 am

Fri. Feb. 01, NO MASS

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm

Saturday, Feb. 02, 2018

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).

**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 Minister of Communion - Dorothy Broussard**

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

**Fund Raiser - Walter Davis**

**Hospitality/Ushers - Horace Broussard**

**Lectors - Peggy Green**

**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 - 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: 38 Sunday: 49**

**Weekend Collection**

Mail In	\$ 10.00
Lector books	\$ 98.00
Re-mileage	\$ 136.25
Rental	\$ 250.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 60.00
Loose	\$ 70.84
Saturday	\$ 545.00
Sunday	\$1,103.00

**Total Deposit \$ 2,273.09**

**MINISTERS FOR THE  
WEEKEND HOSPITALITY**

Sat: Rose Davis & Walter Davis

Sun: Fred Green, Dorothy Jacobs, Elizabeth Mitchell & Kenneth Mason

**ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:**

Saturday: **1st Rdr.:** Gary Mims  
**2nd Rdr.:** Freda Guillory

Sunday: **1st Rdr.:** Wayne Sparrow  
**2nd Rdr.:** Cecilia Davis

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

**ALTAR SERVER:**

Saturday: **Needed**

Sunday: **Needed**

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:**

Saturday Richard Scott & Russell Bottley

Sunday: Freda Guillory & Dorothy Broussard

**January Birthday List  
Happy Birthday to:**

Jace Robertson	1
Chris Orebo	3
Christina Edwards	3
D'Ana Williams	5
Ryan Robertson	5
Cynthia Rogers	6
Freda Guillory	7
Marvin Hampton	8
Joe Ware Sr.	12
Willie Olivier	18
O'Ril Guillory	18
Horace Broussard III	18
Coretta Ambers	24
Reginald Antoine	24
Ariel Anderson	25
David Feathers	28

**Happy Anniversary**

Adam & Dorothy Jacobs	8th
John & Cecelia Judge	16th

**Expenses: DOB Admin. <\$ 5000.>**  
**retirement fund <\$ 175.00 >**  
**Center Point <\$ 260.24 >**  
**Graphic design laser ck <\$ 119.49>**  
**Accountants <\$ 540.79>**  
**ADT Security <\$52.80>**  
**Liturgy <\$ 34.79>**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sun. Jan. 27 - Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27 Cf. Lk 4:18 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21**

**Mon. Jan. 28 - Heb 9:15, 24-28 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 See 2 Tm 1:10 Mk 3:22-30**

**Tues. Jan. 29 - Heb 10:1-10 Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11 See Mt 11:25 Mk 3:31-35**

**Wed. Jan. 30 - Heb 10:11-18 Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 Mk 4:1-20**

**Thurs. Jan. 31 - Heb 10:19-25 Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Ps 119:105 Mk 4:21-25**

**Fri. Feb. 01 - Heb 10:32-39 Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 See Mt 11:25 Mk 4:26-34**

**Sat. Feb. 02 - Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:32 Lk 2:22-40**



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



**The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**January 27, 2019**

**“The eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him.”**

**Eucharistic Celebration**

**Weekends:**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

**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**

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# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Good News

In the Broadway musical *The Wiz*, the character of the Witch sings to her minions this marvelous phrase: “Don’t nobody bring me no bad news!” The Witch’s words are our deepest wish. We don’t want to hear bad news. We yearn for good news. It is life blood to us. Rejoice, then. Today’s liturgy is jam-packed with good news, just what we all want to hear.

**FIRST READING: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10    RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15**  
**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]    GOSPEL: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21**

## Comment

Nehemiah and Ezra were the two major “reconstructionist” of the Israelite people after the Babylonian exile. Nehemiah was the governor, the political leader. Ezra, a priest and descendent of Aaron, was responsible for the restoration of the people’s religious life. Today’s first reading finds Ezra gathering the nation to hear the Law and to renew the Sinai covenant.

In the proclamation of God’s word, the returned exiles hear more than a narration. They hear a reaffirmation of their summons to be God’s people and a call to live out their chosen dignity: great good news!

The second reading continues the discourse begun in last week’s second reading. Paul is writing to the Corinthians to remind them that God has favored them with many gifts, but gifts intended not just for the good of the individual recipients but for the good of the community. Using the metaphor of the human body, Paul stresses how all parts must cooperate with one another because all parts—all people—are baptized in the one Spirit. Paul goes on to make his metaphor a reality, proclaiming the good news that his readers are, in fact, “the body of Christ.”

Today’s Gospel reading is made up of a section from the prologue of Luke and a section of Chapter 4. In the prologue, the evangelist explains his intent in writing his Gospel, namely, to verify the preaching of the good news and to establish continuity between the Old and New Covenants. The section from Chapter 4 finds Jesus in the synagogue of his hometown declaring that he is the fulfillment of the Old Covenant. Jesus’ declaration forges a link with the past and inaugurates a whole new age of great good news.

## Reflection

At the very beginning of his ministry among us, Jesus outlined a model for living a life exemplifying good news. From the beginning, Jesus made it clear that his life work was to bring good news and comfort to the poor, proclaim liberty to all who were captives, give sight to those who were blind, liberate all who were oppressed, and bestow God’s favor upon all people.

From the very beginning, Jesus recognized that the greatest desire of the human heart is to possess a life of love forever with God. If Jesus had recognized and acknowledged that desire, but had not shown us how to realize it, his life and ministry would have been the cruelest form of false advertising. His gospel would have been anything but good news. But Jesus did show us how to realize it: by bringing comfort to the poor, liberty to captives, sight to blind eyes, freedom to the oppressed, and an invitation to all to the favor of God’s reign. Jesus’ life was a model of good news living. When we strive to live a life of good news, then, not only do we possess God, our greatest desire, but we also allow God to possess the hopes, dreams, and desires of all those we touch.

The mission of Jesus is given to us in baptism. That is favor and gift. The way we choose to return that favor, to use that gift, to live out that mission, is ministry. If our heart’s desire is the same as Jesus’, then our ministry will be remarkably like his. Oh, not in manner, or clothes, or speech, or dress—all those unimportant things—but in action, intent, relationship, and decision—all those most important things. The ministry of someone who cherishes the life of God within and who strives to exemplify that life to others is one of peace, reconciliation, passion, and compassion.

### \*\*\*Mardi Gras Gala\*\*\*

St. Therese will be hosting its First Mardi Gras Gala Saturday, February 16, 2019 from 8 pm-12 midnight in the Life Center. Ticket Cost, \$10.00. It’s a BYOB and bring you own food if you choose. If you have any questions, please contact Freda Guillory at (409) 882-1473 or Francine Sparrow.

### \*\*\*GAME ON\*\*\*

St. Therese Super Bowl Sunday, February 3, 2019. Los Angeles Rams vs New England Patriots. Everyone is invited to join the fun, 5:30 until the game ends. Please bring your drinks and snacks.

### 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  
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  
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

### “Servants of God”

Thank you to the parents of ST. Therese Religious Ed department. Tony Williams, Jo’Nire Pete and Alexandre Gamble are participating in a weekend retreat at Lake Tomahawk Christian Retreat Center in Livingston, Tx. The students will join other students throughout the Diocese of Beaumont. The retreat is also funded through the Diocese of Beaumont Reagan & William Pitre and Hannah Allison will be speaking at Saturday’s Mass, theme is Celebrating our School “St. Mary’s”. “We pray that faith will find root and grow in the hearts of our children and that by faith they may gain what has been promised to them.” The success of our children is the success of our Parish.

### Communion Service

Deacon Hazen Kenney will be available for Communion Service Tuesday’s through Friday’s beginning February 1, 2019 at 8:00 am. Please everyone that is available, you are welcome to join us for our weekday services.

### Attention:

Every Thursday we clean the Church and we encourage those who will be available to please come. Everyone is encouraged to help keep our Church clean. please come and join in wiping clean the “Face of the Lord.”

### \*\*\*A Catholic Charismatic Renewal\*\*\*

When: Saturday February 16, 2019  
Where: Infant Jesus Catholic Church, Fellowship Hall, 243 LHS Drive Lumberton, Tx.  
Time: 10am till noon  
Presenter's: Deacon Bruce Grimes  
Deacon L.D. Keen  
Ted Nelson will provide music for Praise and Worship.  
Refreshments, fellowship, worship and individual prayer will follow. All are welcome, so bring family and friends.

### \*\*\*ATTENTION EVERYONE\*\*\*

Fr. Donatus will be leaving for vacation on the 31st of January and will return on the 4th of March. He has already made the necessary arrangements to ensure the operation of the parish in his absence. We are praying that the Lord guides & protects Fr. Donatus while he travels abroad, that he may reach his destination and return safely to St. Therese. We pray also for a well-rested and enjoyable vacation. God Bless!

### \*\*\*Attention Everyone\*\*\*



Everyone is welcome to join us at St. Therese every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. for devotional prayers through our Parton Saint Therese.

### St. Mary’s Catholic School

Please join St. Mary’s Catholic School for their annual Catholic Schools Week open house Monday, January 28, 2019 from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm. There will be guided tours refreshments and door prizes

### 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 have (pause for your petitions).

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.