

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 11, 2021 9:00 am Mass
Mrs. Pricilla Hebert
requested by Janice Semien
Monday July 12th NO MASS
Tuesday July 13th 9:00 am
Wednesday, July 14th, 9:00 a.m.
Thursday, July 15th, 9:00 a.m.
Friday, July 16th, 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, July 17th, 4 p.m.
Reconciliation by appointment

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

July Birthday List
Happy Birthday to::

Peggy Green 1
Brenda Mims 1
Mona Richard 6
George Alexander 6
Stefanie Allison 6
Elvina White 6
Turquoy Riggs 10
Joise Curtis 10
Amiyah LeBlanc 12
Brent Hebert 12
Ronald Hebert 12
Lanier Robertson 16
David Riggs 20
Maria Riggs 23
Torian Riggs 28
Claudine Riggs 29
Lester Popillion 30

Happy Anniversary
Joe & Mary Ware 4th
John & Janice Semien 13th
Mormom & Ann Richard 25th
George & Cecilia Davis 27th

COORDINATORS OF MINISTRIES

Activities * Brushelle Scott
BINGO * Evangeline Platt
Bishop Faith Appeal * Adam Jacobs & Dorothy Jacobs
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Mission/Retreat * Cecilia Davis
Music Director * Leo Jackson
Pastoral Council * Lester Popillion
Youth * Felicia Richard
Stewardship * Gary Mims

Last week Income & Expenses

Attendance Sat:12 Sun: 40
Collection

E-giving \$ 25.00
Saturday \$ 174.00
Sunday \$ 1,691.00

Total Deposit \$ 1,890.00

Expenses paid out

Admin Supplies <\$ 834.40>

St. Therese Catholic Church

Established in 1924; Served by The Missionary Society of St. Paul from Nigeria since 2000

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Office Hours
Tuesday thru Friday
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Lunch 12-1:00 pm
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



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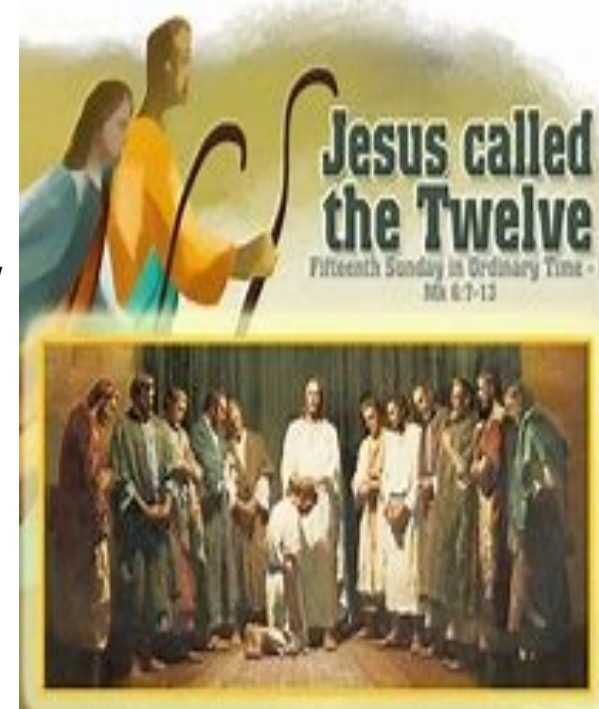
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The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Year B
July 11, 2021
“Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two.”



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday

9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays

3:20 p.m. - 3:55 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction

1st Tuesday of each month

5:30 p.m.— 6:30 p.m.

Exposition & Adoration Of the Blessed Sacrament

every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

Infant Baptism:

Please contact the Pastor two months prior to desired date of baptism

Marriage:

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

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. July 11 - Am 7:12-15 Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10 Cf. Eph 1:17-18 Mk 6:7-13

Mon. July 12 - Ex 1:8-14, 22 Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Ps 16:15 Mt 10:34-11:1

Tues. July 13 - Ex 2:1-15a Ps 36:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 Ps 17 (16):15 Mt 11:20-24

Wed. July 14 - Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 Mt 11:25-27

Thurs. July 15 - Eph 3:14-19 Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 Mt 23:8-12

Fri. July 16 - Ex 11:10-12:14 Ps 116:12-13, 15 & 16bc, 17-18 Mt 12:1-8

Sat. July 17 - Ex 12:37-42 Ps 136:1 & 23-24, 10-12, 13-15 Mt 12:14-21

LECTORS SERVING IN JUNE & JULY

Saturday's/ one reader

July 10th - Mona Richard
July 17th - Tina Kindle
July 24th - Peggy Green
July 31st - Freda Guillory

Sunday's/ one reader

July 11th - Peggy Green
July 18th - Leo Jackson
July 25th - Cindy Hampton

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vocation

Our vocation begins at our baptism and really never ends. It just keeps on opening up. At baptism we at once follow Christ and are united to him as beloved children. This baptismal identity and commitment include all other more specific definitions of vocation. All the baptized are called to a religious life. How we each live out this vocation depends on God, who is always here, and on us, who are less attentive, but who try.

FIRST READING: Amos 7:12-15 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14
SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14 [3-10] GOSPEL: Mark 6:7-13

Comment

Paul sings a paean of praise that is laced with gratitude and amazement that he of all people has been chosen by God, redeemed by Christ, and drawn into the eternal mysteries. This calling and election is not Paul's alone. It belongs to all the baptized—we, too, are chosen, believe, and are sealed by the promised Spirit. This has all been promised and accomplished in us, and there is nothing left for us to do but offer praise and thanks for this amazing grace.

From these heights we turn to the grassroots story of Amos. His realization of his vocation was a jolt. He seems to have been jerked by the collar clean out of his pasture and sycamore grove and set to a clear task: "Off with you, visionary!" Amos might have asked, "Visionary? Who, me?" Amos did God's bidding, and today we have a prophetic book bearing his name. Amos pleads his case before the priest and describes himself as simply a shepherd and dresser of sycamores, but that doesn't cut it. The priest, Amaziah, suggests that Amos hike himself off to the separated southern kingdom of Judah. Nothing seems to be going Amos's way. He doesn't want the job, and he doesn't get any help or relief from the scoundrel priest Amaziah, who just wants to rid himself of Amos, this simple, unsuspecting man who takes God's call so seriously.

This Sunday's Gospel has Jesus sending the twelve apostles out on their first missionary journey without him. This is the first of Mark's stories about Jesus' mission to the whole of Israel. The account of the sending of the Twelve is also given in Matthew 6:8-9, and the description of their carry-along luggage varies considerably. However, the mission does not vary and admits of no compromise. The apostles are asked to travel lightly and joyously, unburdened by useless and distracting stuff. Free of useless junk, they are called to stand unflinchingly for the right thing. They are to stand against evil in all forms spiritual and physical.

Reflection

Jesus gives the Twelve a mission. Their meager supplies remind them that the source of their effectiveness and livelihood and vocation is Jesus. On their own, none of them is strong, persuasive, and charismatic enough to effect any long-lasting conversion. They possess power from neither the Empire nor the Temple, nor any synagogue. They cannot count on anyone to welcome them into the city.

Nonetheless, this small company traveling two by two will begin a quiet, durable revolution. If we read on in this Gospel and the Gospel of Matthew, we see that the Twelve succeeded. We need only think of the Christians up and down the neighborhood or look around to see those who gather with us on Sunday. They witness to the success of the original missionaries sent by Jesus.

PRAY FOR THE SHUT-IN

Mary Alexander
Mary Brown
Courtney Chavis
David J. Carey
Leon Cross
Lawrence Gant
Hollis Fain
Beatrice Guillory
Ella Mae Garrett
Mary Gray
Margaret Green
Mark Mitchell Jr.
Betty Odom
Westley Papillion
Gloria Richard
Mormon Richard
Rosa Scott
Alma C Thibodeaux
Daniel Ware



"My mission - to make God loved - will begin after my death," she said. "I will spend my heaven doing good on earth. I will let fall a shower of roses." Roses have been described and experienced as Saint Theresita's signature. Countless millions have been touched by her intercession and imitate her "little way." She has been acclaimed "the greatest saint of modern times." In 1997, Pope John Paul II declared St. Theresita a Doctor of the Church - the only Doctor of his pontificate - in tribute to the powerful way her spirituality has influenced people all over the world.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jalen A. Chambers
Carroll Durio
Mable Durio
Mrs. Doris Hayes
Roy Hayes
Ruby Milton
Clayona Pillette
John Richard Sr.
Claudine Riggs
Tiffany Winphrey
Roger Dell White

Mandatory Lectors Meeting

There will be a mandatory lector's meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 5:00 pm. ALL lector's are asked to be present.

Back to School Giveaway from Gate City Guild #42

Date: July 17th, 2021
Where: Lions Den Park
Time: 10:00 am

HOT DOGS, CHIPS & DRINK FREE! FREE! FREE!

ICECREAM GIVEAWAY by Dime's Delightful Treats
11:30 - 1:30

ST. Therese Youth Ministry Presents:

SUNDAY FUN

Who: Grades 4th through 7th (1:30 pm - 4:30 pm)
Grades 8th through 12th (5:00 pm - 8:00 pm)

What: Prayer, Popcorn, Pizza, Games, Snacks, and DVD

When: Sunday, July 18, 2021

Where: St. Therese Family Life Center/Grounds

Faith in Action; Carrying on the Work of Jesus



Bishop Faith Appeal Goal : 17,049.

While we are facing challenging times, keeping safe and preventing the spread of the coronavirus. God challenges us to share what we have with others, to make a commitment to serving His people. Romans 8:28 say's "For those who love God, all things work together for the good." Making your pledge to the BFA is one of the ways we are all called together, one parish, supporting others with what we have. Thank you for your support.

Chairpersons, Adam & Dorothy Jacobs and Fr. Donatus.