

# *St. Therese of Lisieux*

## *Roman Catholic Parish*

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## **Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 5, 2021**

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### **Sunday Mass Times**

**Saturday 5:30pm Vigil- Patagonia**

**Sunday 8:00am Sonoita, 10:30am Patagonia**

### **Daily Mass**

**Tuesday, Thursday & Friday**

8:00am-Patagonia (April-September)

9:00am-Patagonia (October-March)

**Wednesday 9:00am-Sonoita**

### **Confessions**

Saturday 4:00pm or any day by appointment.

**Holy Hour- 1st Fridays immediately after mass.**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Parish office will be closed Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day.
  
- ❖ 2021-2022 Religious Education Classes: Registration after Sunday 10:30am Mass. Parent Meeting will be scheduled to discuss this year's program for the children. Please turn in registration form(s) to Telma Gonzalez, Fr. Alex, Ramon or place in the collection basket ASAP. Call the parish office if you have any questions regarding the program for this coming school year. Classes start Wednesday September 22, 3:30pm-4:30pm.
  
- ❖ We are in need of religious education teachers for the 2021-2022 school year. Please call parish office if you are interested in helping the children with their religious education.
  
- ❖ Angel Wings Thrift & Gift Shop  
Now Open: Thursday-Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm

## ❖ Children and the Delta Variant

Dear parishioners,

Greetings to you from me. Due to concerns about how the Delta variant might be affecting unvaccinated children, Bishop has suspended the Sunday Mass obligation for families with small children who are unable to receive vaccination. The Clergy and the Faithful are urged to wear masks to Sunday Mass to protect our families. We need to take precautions whatever we can. Stay healthy and well. Praying for you. God bless you.

## Prayer Request

Jeanne Matthews  
Virginia Fain  
Paul Mihalik, Sr.  
Lucy Mihalik  
Pam D.  
Janice Urman  
Cruz Quiroga  
Sadie G.

Bob Bilodeau  
Delfina Madrid  
Dr. Jesse  
Joseph Hann  
Steve Biddle  
Art Pena

MONTH OF AUGUST 2021	Patagonia	Sonoita	Total
<b>Regular Offering</b>	<b>\$3,653.00</b>	<b>\$1,705.00</b>	<b>\$5,358.00</b>
<b>Parish Priest Salary</b>	<b>\$929.00</b>	<b>\$668.00</b>	<b>\$1,597.00</b>
<b>UPCOMING 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTIONS</b>			

September 5- Parish Priest Salary  
September 12- Parish Rectory Maintenance  
September 19- Parish Priest Salary  
September 26- Diocesan Catholic Schools

### Mass Intentions

Saturday September 4, 5:30pm  
Missa Pro Populo

Sunday September 5, 8:00am  
Missa Pro Populo

Sunday September 5, 10:30am  
Missa Pro Populo

**St. Therese Parish  
Office Hours:  
Monday - Thursday  
9:00am-12:00pm  
(Parish Office Hours)**

**Contact Ramon at  
520-313-4813 or  
[sttheresa@dakotacom.net](mailto:sttheresa@dakotacom.net)  
Limited to 1 person in the  
office at a time.  
Mask & Social Distancing  
Required.**

## Sacramental Life

**Baptism:** Contact Parish Office one month prior to the desired date  
**Confirmation:** Contact Parish Office for information and schedule  
**Marriage:** Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the desired date

**THE MESSIAH FORETOLD**

Today's story of the cure of a deaf man with a speech impediment is a good example of how much is contained in a simple miracle story. The Greek word *mogilalos* appears only here in all of the New Testament. It is a technical term referring to someone with a stammer. It is also used only once in the entire Jewish scriptures, in the passage that we read today as our first reading from Isaiah. Clearly, by his choice of this precise word Mark wants us to recognize that what Jesus is doing is the fulfillment of what Isaiah had predicted centuries earlier. In fact, Mark wants us to recognize that Jesus is the Messiah foretold by Isaiah and the other Jewish prophets of old.

The word *epiphatha*, "be opened," used to describe the restoration of the man's speech, is another example of a subtle allusion to an earlier prophecy. This time the prophecy in question is from Ezekiel, when he foretells that in the messianic age, "your mouth shall be opened to speak" (24:26). The sophistication of Mark's narrative is further revealed when we realize that there are multiple levels within a single reference. Mark not only draws our attention back to Israel's prophetic past, he also points to the initiatory practice of his contemporaries by his mention of such things as spittle, touching of ears, and the use of the word *epiphatha*, all of which were practices incorporated into the early Church's baptismal ritual.

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**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God (Isaiah 35:4-7a).

**Psalm** — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

**Second Reading** — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

**Gospel** — Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessing of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6  
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11;  
Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18;  
Mk 8:27-35

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Labor Day; Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year 5782) begins at sunset

Wednesday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday: St. Peter Claver

Saturday: Patriot Day; Blessed Virgin Mary

**FEAST OF FAITH**

**Remembering**

When Jesus broke the bread on the night before he died, he told his disciples, "do this in memory of me" (Luke 22:19). Christians have been faithful to that solemn command. Our eucharistic remembering is not nostalgia, nor is it merely historical, recalling events and facts of long ago. In the liturgy, remembering is action. "Do this," Jesus said. In the Eucharist, we remember by doing. And as we remember, the sacrifice of Jesus is renewed, truly made present, no longer then, but now.

After the consecration, each of the Eucharistic Prayers includes a section called the *anamnesis*, a Greek word that means "remembering." In this part of the prayer, "the Church, fulfilling the command that she received from Christ the Lord through the Apostles, keeps the memorial of Christ, recalling especially his blessed Passion, glorious Resurrection, and Ascension into heaven" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 79e). We pause and call to mind the whole paschal mystery, Christ's dying and rising. "We celebrate the memory of his death and resurrection" (*Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation II*). Obeying Christ's command, we remember.

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**LABOR**

Without labor nothing prospers.

—Sophocles

**JUDGMENT**

To pass judgment on another is to usurp shamelessly a prerogative of God.

—St. John Climacus

**RECLAIMING OUR UNITY**

Even the smallest act of service, the simplest act of kindness, is a way to honor those we lost, a way to reclaim that spirit of unity that followed 9/11.

—Barack Obama



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Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?

— James 2:5

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**Pledged To Date: 11,035.12**

**% of Parish Goal: 81.74%**

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May God bless you abundantly,

+Edward J. Weisenburger