



St. Therese the Little Flower Roman Catholic Church

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October 23rd, 2022 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 23 – 20th Sunday after Pentecost (St. Anthony Mary Claret, BC)

8:00 am Low Mass (A forgotten soul in purgatory)

Server: Isaac Smith

9:40 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am Low Mass (Pro Populo)

Server: Marquise Lodrini, Matthew Eilerman

Monday, October 24 – St. Raphael the Archangel

11:00 am Low Mass (Erin Ribar from Bob Moeller)

Tuesday, October 25 – Feria (Ss. Chrysanthus & Daria, Mm)

7:30 am Low Mass (Erin Ribar from Bob Moeller)

Wednesday, October 26 – Feria (St. Evaristus, PM)

7:30 am Low Mass (Erin Ribar from Jared Clark)

Thursday, October 27 – Feria (St. Frumentius, BC)

7:30 am Low Mass (Mary Clark from Jared Clark)

Friday, October 28 – Ss. Simon & Jude, App

7:30 am Low Mass (Poor Souls in Purgatory from Tarciana Pires)

Saturday, October 29 – BVM Saturday (St. Narcissus, BC)

8:30 am Low Mass (Tom Gardner from Mary Kate Ellis)

Sunday, October 30 – Christ the King (21st Sunday after Pentecost; St. Marcellus, M)

8:00 am Low Mass (In honor of Holy Family & for needs & intentions of Wayne Pivarunas family)

Server: Jacob Sellers

9:40 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am High Mass w/ Benediction (Pro Populo)

Servers: Matthew Eilerman, Marquise Lodrini

Announcements

† **Christ the King & All Saints** party will be next Sunday, **October 30th**, at 12 pm. Please bring a **main dish** to share! Address: Otterbein Lebanon, 85 OH-741, Lebanon, OH 45036. Look for the **Philippi Building**.

† Father can now take **Mass intentions** again.

† Please keep in your prayers the **sick of our parish**: Erin Ribar, Connie Sellers, Mary Klei, Angie Sellers.

**19th Sunday after
Pentecost
(10/16/22)**
Attendance: 37+62
Collection: \$909

Reflection: *Chapter 25 On the Fervent Amendment of Our Whole Life:* “Be alert & diligent in the service of God, thinking often why you were born & why you have left the world. Was it not that you should live only for God and become a spiritual person? Therefore, set your heart on striving for perfection, for shortly you will be rewarded for all your labors & after that you will never experience sorrow and dread. Your labor will last but a short time & then you will receive everlasting rest and peace. If you are faithful & fervent in doing good, there is no doubt that God will be faithful & generous in His reward. Have a firm hope that you will attain the victory; but do not presume on this, for then there is danger of your become careless & proud. 2. Once there was a person who anxious whether or not he was in the state of grace; one day in his sadness he fell to his knees before an altar in the church, praying: “Oh, if only I knew whether I would persevere to the end of my life!?” Suddenly he heard a voice within him, answering: “What would you do if you did know? Do now what you would do then and you will be secure.” Immediately he was comforted & commended himself entirely to God’s will & all his doubts ceased. After that, he never speculated as to what would become of him. Instead he applied himself to know what was the will of God for him and how he might begin and end all his good works to the honor & glory of God. 3...One thing holds many back from spiritual advancement & earnest amendment, and that is the fear and dislike of the effort and difficulties involved in the struggle. Yet those attain surpassing virtue who struggle bravely against the very things which they find hardest & most repugnant to them. For a person profits most & gains the most graces precisely in the area where the difficulties are greatest & require the most mortification. 4. Certain it is that all persons do not have the same difficulties to overcome & mortify. Nevertheless, those who ardently love God, even though their passions are stronger than those of others, will be better able to grow in virtue than those with good habits & fewer passions, but who are less fervent in pursuing holiness. Two things which you need to make real progress are: you must withdraw yourself from those things to which you are prone by nature and strive for the particular virtue you most need. Especially be on your guard against & correct those faults which most annoy you in other people. 5. Use all occasions for your spiritual gain If you observe good example, follow it; and if you see bad example, take care not to do the same; if you have already fallen into this fault, work to correct it quickly. As your eye observes others, be sure that you also are observed by them. What an inspiration to see religious persons devout & fervent in the love of God, courteous and self-discipline! On the other hand, how sad to see those whose lives are disorderly and who do not practice those things to which they are called. How detrimental it is for us to neglect the purpose of our calling and to divert our minds to things that are not our concern. 6. Keep in mind your commitment. Place yourself before the image of Christ Crucified & see if you are not ashamed, when looking into His life, that you have done so little to model your life on His. Those who will meditate devoutly on the life and passion of our Lord will find there all that is necessary for them & will not have to look further. If Jesus Crucified were often in our hearts, how quickly we would learn all things we need to know! 7. Religious persons put up with and accept willingly whatever they are commanded to do; but the neglectful and lukewarm are always in difficulty & have great anguish besides, for they lack interior comfort & cannot seek it outside. Undisciplined persons, who seek to be released from their duties, will always be in trouble, for nothing will ever satisfy them...11. Always, remember your end & that time lost can never be regained. Without applying yourself diligently, you will never acquire virtue...If you do not shun little faults, you will gradually fall into greater ones...The more restraints you put on yourself, the more spiritual progress you will make & the greater your attachment to the will of God.” —*Imitation of Christ*

Confessions: 45 minutes before Sunday Masses. 30 minutes before weekday Masses. Father will stop hearing confessions 10 minutes before Mass. Confessions could be heard after Mass as well.

Baptism: Please call Father to make arrangements. At least one parent and the sponsors must be practicing traditional Catholics. It is a serious obligation for Catholics to have their newborns baptized within two weeks.

Matrimony: For practicing registered parishioners only. Please contact Father at least six months before the wedding date for marriage instructions.

Mass Intentions may be submitted for a stipend of \$25.00. Mass intention envelopes are available in the vestibule.

Sunday Catechism Classes for children: Please see Sister Mary Theresa, C.M.D.

Blessing of Religious Articles: Please bring item(s) up to Communion Rail after Holy Mass.