



# St. Therese the Little Flower Roman Catholic Church

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## January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 Circumcision of Our Lord

### **Sunday, January 1 – 1<sup>st</sup> Circumcision of Our Lord**

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

Server: Aiden Sellers

9:35 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am Low Mass (Pro Populo)

Servers: Xavier Wright

### **Monday, January 2 – Holy Name of Jesus (St. Gaspar del Bufalo, C)**

**\*\*NO MASS SCHEDULED\*\*** (In honor of the Holy Family & for the needs & intentions...)

### **Tuesday, January 3 – Feria (St. Genevieve, V)**

7:30 am Low Mass (Mike Williamitis from Williamitis Family)

### **Wednesday, January 4 – Feria (St. Prizes, M)**

7:30 am Low Mass (Daniel Kramer's intention from Leah Kramer)

### **Thursday, January 5 – Feria (St. Telesphorus, PM)**

7:30 am Low Mass (Justin & Chelsea Pelzer family from Barb Pelzer)

### **Friday, January 6 – Epiphany of Our Lord**

8:30 am High Mass (Brent Pelzer & Lauren Pletcher from Barb Pelzer)

### **Saturday, January 7 – BVM Saturday (St. Lucian, M)**

8:30 am Low Mass (Arlene Doll from Dave & Bina Huebsch)

### **Sunday, January 8 – Holy Family Sunday (St. Apollinaris, BC)**

8:00 am Low Mass (RIP Anton Frank from Dave & Bina Huebsch)

Server: Jacob Sellers

9:35 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am Low Mass (Pro Populo)

Servers: Michael Peck

## Announcements

† Father will be doing the **Epiphany Home Blessing** from **1/6 to 1/13**. Those who wish to have their home blessed, please contact Father to make arrangements.

**Nativity of Our  
Lord  
(12/25/22)**

Attendance: 56-28  
Collection: \$728

† There will be **NO** First Friday evening Mass on **1/6**, but there will be Holy Hour from 6 to 7 pm and the distribution of Holy Communion for those who wish to observe the Nine-First Fridays.

† **Blessed Candles** will be blessed for the **Feast of the Purification** on February 2nd. Please let Father know if you wish to purchase a pair of blessed candles. Cost per pair is \$6.

**Reflection:** *Book 2: Chapter 11 On the Small Number of the Lovers of the Cross:* “Jesus has many lovers of His heavenly kingdom, but few cross-bearers. Many desire His consolation, but few His tribulation. Many will sit down with Him at table, but few will share His fast. All desire to rejoice with Him, but few will suffer for Him. Many will follow to the breaking of the bread, but few will drink the bitter cup of His Passion. Many revere His miracles, but few follow the shame of His cross. Many love Jesus when all goes well with them, and praise Him when He does them a favor; but if Jesus conceals Himself and leaves them for a little while, they fall to complaining or become depressed. 2. They who love Jesus purely for Himself and not for their own sake bless Him in all trouble and anguish as well as in time of consolation. Even if He never sent them consolation, they would still praise Him and give thanks. 3. Oh how powerful is the pure love of Jesus, when not mixed with self-interest or self-love! Are not they to be called hirelings who always look for comforts? And they who think only of their own advantage, do they not show themselves to be lovers of self rather than of Christ? Where will a person be found ready to serve God without looking for reward? 4. It is hard to find anyone so spiritual who is willing to be spiritual who is willing to be stripped of all things. Where will you find a person truly poor in spirit and free from all attachment to creatures? Such a one is a *rare treasure brought from distant shores* (Prov 31:14). If we were to give up all our possessions, it is still nothing; if we did severe penance, it is but little; if we acquired all knowledge, still are we far from virtue. Even if we had great virtue and fervent devotion, we would be lacking that one thing necessary above all else. And what is that one thing? That leaving all things behind, we should leave self, renouncing our self completely and keeping nothing of self-love. And then when we have done all things that we know we ought to do, let us think that we have done nothing. We should not regard as great that which may be considered so by others, but rather let us in truth look upon ourselves as worthless servants. As our Lord, the Truth, has said: “*When you have done all you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are unprofitable servants;’*” (Lk 17:10). Then will we be truly poor in spirit and able to say with the Prophet: “*I am alone and afflicted*” (Lk 17:10). Yet there is no one richer or more powerful, no one more free than we are if we know how to renounce ourselves and all things, putting ourselves in the lowest place.” —*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.