

Sacraments & Sacramentals

Confessions

Confessions are typically heard before all Masses: at least 45 minutes before Sunday Masses and 30 minutes before weekday Masses.

Baptism

Baptisms are by appointment. At least one parent as well as the sponsor(s) must be practicing traditional Roman Catholics. For further information please phone Father for arrangements.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is administered every year by Bp. Mark Pivarunas, CMRI.

Holy Matrimony

If you are contemplating marriage, please make an appointment to speak with Father before setting a date.

Blessing of Expectant Mothers

2nd Sunday of the month immediately following Holy Mass.

Funerals

Simply call Father before calling the funeral director. Father will help you make all the necessary arrangements.

Last Rites and Sick Calls

Father serves a wide area and must often travel far to administer these sacraments. Please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a church member is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death.

Mass Intentions

Envelopes for Mass requests are available in the vestibule. Please request particular dates for Masses at least one month in advance.

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communions will typically be made once a year.

Blessing of Religious Articles

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month immediately following Holy Mass.

*More Information can be found
on our web site:*

StThereseCMRI.org



St. Therese the Little Flower Catholic Church
TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS



Saint Therese the Little Flower Roman Catholic Church

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*December 23, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Advent*

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The Roman Catechism

Part II: The Sacraments — The Sacrament of Extreme Unction (cont'd.)

[The Effects of Extreme Unction, continued.]

From it, moreover, we derive another advantage, which may justly be deemed the greatest of all. For although the enemy of the human race never ceases, while we live, to meditate our ruin and destruction, yet at no time does he more violently use every effort utterly to destroy us, and, if possible, deprive us of all hope of the divine mercy, than when he sees the last day of life approach. Therefore arms and strength are supplied to the faithful in this Sacrament to enable them to break the violence and impetuosity of the adversary, and to fight bravely against him; for the soul of the sick is relieved and encouraged by the hope of the divine goodness, strengthened by which it bears more lightly all the burdens of sickness, and eludes with greater ease the artifice and cunning of the devil who lies in wait for it.

Finally, the recovery of health, if indeed advantageous, is another effect of this Sacrament. And if in our days the sick obtain this effect less frequently, this is to be attributed, not to any defect of the Sacrament, but rather to the weaker faith of a great part of those who are anointed with the sacred oil, or by whom it is administered; for the Evangelist bears witness that the Lord wrought not many miracles among His own, because of their unbelief.

It may also be truly said that the Christian religion, since it has struck its roots more deeply in the minds of men, stands now less in need of the aids of such miracles than it did formerly, at the commencement of the rising Church. Nevertheless, faith should be strongly excited in this respect, and whatever it may please God in His wisdom to do with regard to the health of the body, the faithful ought to rely on a sure hope of attaining, by virtue of this sacred oil, health of the soul, and of experiencing, should the hour of their departure from life be at hand, the fruit of that glorious assurance: *Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.*

40 Maxims that have made Saints

(Imprimatur: Bp. James A. McNulty, 1958)

16. Perhaps you are tempted to criticize your neighbor. Say of him, or her, only what is good, or be silent.
17. Are you tempted to anger? Conquer yourself for the love of your meek and gentle Savior.
18. When you have time to spare, go before the Blessed Sacrament and make the Holy Hour.
19. You are inclined to say your prayers hurriedly. Take time; prolong them.
20. Everything tries and irritates you. Bear all through love.

(to be continued...)

MERRY CHRISTMAS

— December is the Month of the Divine Infancy —

Mass Schedule & Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, Dec. 23 - Fourth Sunday of Advent (St. Victoria, VM)

5:15 pm Confessions
5:30 pm Holy Rosary
6:00 pm Low Mass (*Pro Populo*)

Monday, Dec. 24 - Vigil of the Nativity (Ss. Adam & Eve)

DAY OF FAST AND COMPLETE ABSTINENCE

No Mass at St. Therese's

Tuesday, Dec. 25 - Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ (St. Anastasia, M)

HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

9:00 am Confessions
9:30 am Holy Rosary
10:00 am High Mass (All special intentions submitted), followed by Blessing of Children

Wednesday, Dec. 26 - St. Stephen, Protomartyr

9:00 am Low Mass (*Pro Populo*)

Thursday, Dec. 27 - St. John, ApEv

No Mass at St. Therese's

Friday, Dec. 28 - Holy Innocents, Mm

No Mass at St. Therese's

Saturday, Dec. 29 - St. Thomas à Becket, BM

No Mass at St. Therese's

Sunday, Dec. 30 - Sunday within the Octave of the Nativity (St. Sabinus, BM)

5:15 pm Confessions
5:30 pm Holy Rosary
6:00 pm Low Mass with Benediction (*Pro Populo*)

Announcements

Christmas Day Mass intentions: Envelopes are available in the vestibule (the ones with the red print). Please fill them out and hand them directly to Father or put them in the collection basket. Donations are optional. These intentions will be remembered during the Christmas Day High Mass.

Tomorrow, **Dec. 24**, is a day of fast and complete abstinence.

On behalf of the board of trustees and especially its president, Bishop Mark Pivarunas, and the pastor, Fr. John Trough, we wish all our parishioners and visitors a **merry and grace-filled Christmas!** Let us not forget to pray for the many souls who will not be able to have a joyful Christmas because they are suffering, lonely, ill, or entangled in sin.

There will be a **Blessing of Children** after the Christmas Day High Mass. All children of elementary school age are invited to come to the Communion rail right after Mass.

The liturgical **Christmas season** begins on December 24 and ends on February 2 with the Feast of the Purification. Christmas proper is celebrated through January 6, the Epiphany, which itself is prolonged until January 13, the Baptism of the Lord.

Liturgical wall calendars for 2019 are available in the bookstore. They are free to all parishioners, but please limit to one per household for now to ensure each family gets one. Thank you.

**Last Sunday
(12/16/18)**

Attendance: 72
Collection: \$708.50