

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 31, 2017
Sunday within the Octave of the Nativity*

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StThereseCMRI.org

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CMRI.org

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The Roman Catechism

Part II: The Sacraments — The Holy Eucharist (cont'd.)

Necessity Of Previous Preparation For Communion

We now come to point out the manner in which the faithful should be previously prepared for sacramental Communion. To demonstrate the great necessity of this previous preparation, the example of the Saviour should be adduced. Before He gave to His Apostles the Sacrament of His precious body and blood, although they were already clean, He washed their feet to show that we must use extreme diligence before Holy Communion in order to approach it with the greatest purity and innocence of soul.

In the next place, the faithful are to understand that as he who approaches thus prepared and disposed is adorned with the most ample gifts of heavenly grace; so, on the contrary, he who approaches without this preparation not only derives from it no advantage, but even incurs the greatest misfortune and loss. It is characteristic of the best and most salutary things that, if seasonably made use of, they are productive of the greatest benefit; but if employed out of time, they prove most pernicious and destructive. It cannot, therefore, excite our surprise that the great and exalted gifts of God; when received into a soul properly disposed, are of the greatest assistance towards the attainment of salvation; while to those who receive them unworthily, they bring with them eternal death.

Of this the Ark of the Lord affords a convincing illustration. The people of Israel possessed nothing more precious and it was to them the source of innumerable blessings from God; but when the Philistines carried it away, it brought on them a most destructive plague and the heaviest calamities, together with eternal disgrace. Thus also food when received from the mouth into a healthy stomach nourishes and supports the body; but when received into an indisposed stomach, causes grave disorders.

Upcoming Meetings & Important Dates

Adult Doctrine Class: Saturday, Jan. 20, at the Jesse & Jackie Sellers residence at 7:00 pm.

Confraternity of Christian Mothers: Third Wednesday/Thursday of the month (alternates).
Next: Thursday, Jan. 18, at 7:00 pm. See Amanda Straight for details.

Society of St. Joseph: First Saturday of the month. Next: Saturday, Jan. 6. Contact John Wright for details (513-850-1596).

All-Night Adoration: Friday, Jan. 19, 7:00 pm - Saturday, Jan. 20, 9:00 am.

Next Holyday of Obligation: Circumcision: Monday, Jan. 1, 9:30 am.

Annual Parish Meeting: Sunday, Jan. 21, after the morning Mass at *The Enchanted Village* at 3 South Sycamore Street in Lebanon, OH 45036. Only two blocks from church!

Altar Server Schedule

Sunday, December 31

Thomas Williamitis, Daniel Wright

Monday, January 1

Clayton Wright

Sunday, January 7

Daniel Wright, Michael Ribar

Mass Schedule & Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, Dec. 31 - Sunday within the Octave of the Nativity (St. Sylvester, PC)

5:15 pm Confessions

5:30 pm Holy Rosary

6:00 pm Low Mass with Benediction (*Pro Populo*)

Monday, Jan. 1, 2018 - Circumcision of our Lord Jesus Christ

HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

8:15 am Confessions

9:00 am Holy Rosary

9:30 am Low Mass (*Pro Populo*)

Tuesday, Jan. 2 - Holy Name of Jesus (St. Gaspar del Bufalo, C)

No Mass at St. Therese

Wednesday, Jan. 3 - Ferial Day (St. Genevieve, V)

No Mass at St. Therese

Thursday, Jan. 4 - Ferial Day (St. Priscus, M)

No Mass at St. Therese

Friday, Jan. 5 - Ferial Day (St. Telesphorus, PM)

No Mass at St. Therese

Saturday, Jan. 6 - Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ

No Mass at St. Therese

Sunday, Jan. 7 - Holy Family Sunday (First Sunday after Epiphany; St. Lucian, M)

8:15 am Confessions

9:00 am Holy Rosary

9:30 am High Mass (RIP Leo & Margaret Williamitis by Tony Williamitis)

Announcements

The Octave of Christmas concludes tomorrow, Monday, Jan. 1, with the feast of our Lord's Circumcision. It is a **Holyday of Obligation**, with Mass being offered at 9:30 am.

The next great feast in the Christmas season is the **Epiphany** on Saturday, Jan. 6. Epiphany celebrates our Lord's manifestation to the Gentiles (non-Jews), whom He also came to redeem. The Three Wise Men were the first Gentiles to welcome and adore the Christ Child.

The Christmas season definitively concludes on Feb. 2 with the feast of the Purification (Candlemas). This year, the pre-Lenten season of Septuagesima starts on Sunday, Jan. 28, and Ash Wednesday begins Lent on Feb. 14. Easter Sunday falls on Apr. 1.

From our Pastor and the Board of Trustees: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our parishioners and visitors!

Fr. Trough is currently accepting **Mass stipends**. You can place the stipends in the collection basket or hand them directly to Father. Please use the envelopes provided in the vestibule.

**Last Sunday
(12/24/17)**

Attendance: 60

Collection: \$436.00

Christmas

Attendance: 78

Collection: \$1,100.00