



St. Therese the Little Flower Roman Catholic Church

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January 12th, 2025 Holy Family Sunday

Sunday, January 12 – Holy Family Sunday (1st Sunday after Epiphany; St. Aelred, Ab)

8:00 am Low Mass (Increased vocations to priesthood & religious from Jamie Kennedy)

Server: Alex Sellers

9:35 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am Low Mass (Pro Populo)

Servers: Michael Peck

Monday, January 13 – Commemoration of the Baptism of Our Lord (St. Potitus, M)

NO MASS SCHEDULED (Mike Williamitis from Williamitis Family)

Tuesday, January 14 – St. Hilary, BCD (St. Felix, PrM)

7:00 am Low Mass (Steve Williamitis from Williamitis Family)

Wednesday, January 15 – Our Lady of Prompt Succor (St. Paul, Hermit, C; St. Maurus, Ab)

7:00 am Low Mass (The Bohman Family from The Pires Family)

Thursday, January 16 – St. Marcellus I, PM (Ss. Berard & Comp., Mm)

6:00 pm Low Mass (Priests & religious & increased vocations from Jamie Kennedy)

Friday, January 17 – St. Anthony, Ab

8:00 am Low Mass (Poor Souls in Purgatory from Jamie Kennedy)

Saturday, January 18 – St. Peter's Chair at Rome (St. Prisca, VM)

8:30 am Low Mass (Special Intention from Cleo Speckert)

Sunday, January 19 – 2nd Sunday after Epiphany (Ss. Marius & Comp., Mm; St. Canute, KM)

8:00 am Low Mass (Dave Cox from Cleo Speckert)

Server: Issac Smith

9:35 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am High Mass (Pro Populo)

Server: MC: Paddy Omlor. Thurifer: Peter Creighton. Acolytes: Clayton Wright & Michael Peck

Announcements

† There will be an **evening Mass** every Thursday starting **January 16th**.

† **Candles** will be blessed on the **Feast of the Purification (Feb 2nd)**. If you would like to purchase a pair of candles, the cost will be \$8. Please let Father know how many boxes you would like to purchase. Thank you!

† **Blessed Chalks:** Feel free to break off a piece of blessed chalk to inscribed the characters 20 + C + M + B + 25 on top of the door that leads to the outside. The initials "CMB" are the names of the three wise men, Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar, but it can also stand for the Latin "Christus mansionem benedicat" (Christ bless this house).

† **St. Therese Academy** will be putting on a **Christmas play** after the 10 am Mass today. All are invited to attend! There will be a potluck as well. Please bring a **main dish** to share! The address is American Legion Post **620 North Broadway St.**, Lebanon, OH 45036.

† **14 DAY SANCTUARY LAMP:** is burning for the weeks of (12/30 to 1/13) for the **INTENTIONS** of **Laura Hughes**. **Next INTENTIONS** will be for **Jamie Kennedy**. If you would like to donate to light the 14 day sanctuary candle for your intention, please let Father know. The **donation** for each candle is **\$25** (candles generally last 14 days, but sometimes they burn faster than expected).

Reflection: *The Catechism Explained By Stories and Examples by Fr. Francis Spirago. Second Lesson: On God And His Perfections.*

Question: Where is God?

Answer: God is everywhere.

The Marvels of Astronomy: The ubiquity and omnipotence of God are displayed in the wonders of creation. Consider, first of all, the immense size of the heavenly bodies. Our earth is certainly a huge globe; it is more than 24,000 miles in circumference. An express train, running at the rate of 20 miles an hour, would take three weeks to form the circuit of the earth. The sun is a far larger sphere; its diameter is more than a hundred times greater than the diameter of the earth. The sun would make a million and a half of such globes as our earth. And yet there are other orbs in comparison with which our sun is a mere grain of sand. Furthermore, let us consider the enormous distance of the heavenly bodies. It is computed that our earth is 92,000,000 miles distant from the sun. A cannonball, fired from the earth, would, provided it traveled all the way at the same rate of speed, take 25 years to reach the sun. Light, which travels 186,000 miles in a second, takes eight minutes to traverse the distance that separates our earth from the sun. There are some stars, the light of which does not reach us for years, or even centuries. The light of the polar star takes 60 years on its way to our earth. The space of the universe is inconceivably vast. Our solar system, to which eight greater and about 280 lesser planets belong, is but an isolated group in immeasurable space. The planet Neptune, the farthest from the sun, is more than 1,200,000,000 miles distant from it. Thus the group of orbs appertaining to our solar system is fairly extensive. Yet there are millions of other similar systems of far greater magnitude than ours, for the sixty million fixed stars which are visible in the heavens are all of them suns, round which other orbs revolve. And how many more millions of suns may there not be, which are invisible to our eye! The interval is so enormous from our solar system to the nearest star that there is room for thousands of similar systems in the intervening space. Imagine yourself standing at the north pole, and the sun as a pea held in your hand, and the distance between you and the south pole would be much the same as that which separates our solar system from the star nearest to it.

A CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY: O Jesus, our most loving Redeemer, who having come to enlighten the world with Thy teaching and example, didst will to pass the greater part of Thy life in humility and subjection to Mary and Joseph in the poor home of Nazareth, thus sanctifying the Family that was to be an example for all Christian families, graciously receive our family as it dedicates and consecrates itself to Thee this day. Do Thou defend us, guard us and establish amongst us Thy holy fear, true peace and concord in Christian love: in order that by conforming ourselves to the divine pattern of Thy family we may be able, all of us without exception, to attain to eternal happiness.

Mary, dear Mother of Jesus and Mother of us, by thy kindly intercession make this our humble offering acceptable in the sight of Jesus, and obtain for us His graces and blessings.

O St. Joseph, most holy Guardian of Jesus and Mary, assist us by thy prayers in all our spiritual and temporal necessities; that so we may be enabled to praise our divine Saviour Jesus, together with Mary and thee, for all eternity (The Raccolta).

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 Maria Josepha, C.M.D.

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

Adult Catechism: Every Wednesday at 6 pm. Please see Father for more information.

**Holy Name of
Jesus**
(1/5/25)
Collection: \$1798