



St. Therese the Little Flower Roman Catholic Church

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April 20th, 2025 Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 20 – Easter Sunday (St. Agnes of Montepulciano, V)

NO CONFESSION

8:00 am Low Mass (Pro Populo)

Server: Volunteer

Monday, April 21 – Easter Monday (St. Anselm, BCD)

NO MASS SCHEDULED (Special Intention from Cleo Speckert)

Tuesday, April 22 – Easter Tuesday (Ss. Soter & Caius, PpMm)

8:00 am Low Mass (Special Intention from Cleo Speckert)

Wednesday, April 23 – Easter Wednesday (St. George, M)

8:00 am Low Mass (Private Intention from Daniel Peck)

Thursday, April 24 – Easter Thursday (St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, M)

6:00 pm Low Mass (Olga Jimenez Perez from Mirna Harpa)

Friday, April 25 – Easter Friday (Greater Litanies)

8:00 am Low Mass (RIP Fr. Thielen from Flory Palma)

Saturday, April 26 – Easter Saturday (Our Lady of Good Counsel; Ss. Cletus & Marcellinus, PpMm)

8:30 am Low Mass (RIP Fr. Thielen from William Minor)

Sunday, April 27 – Low Sunday (St. Peter Canisius, CD)

8:00 am Low Mass (Clergy, religious, & vocations from Jamie Kennedy)

Server: Aiden Sellers

9:30 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am Low Mass (Pro Populo)

Server: Michael Peck

Announcements

† **Alleluia! Our Lord is truly Risen!** Father wishes a Glorious and Blessed Easter to everyone!

† **Masses** on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday are at 8 am this week.

Palm Sunday
(4/13/25)
Collection: \$1859

† **Easter Duty: Confession:** All the faithful who have reached the use of their reason must sincerely confess their sins at least once a year (C.906). One's obligation is not fulfilled by a sacrilegious confession (C. 907). **Easter Communion:** All the faithful who have attained the use of their reason **must receive Holy Communion at least once during the Easter season.** The obligation is not satisfied by a sacrilegious Communion (C.861). If someone has not made his Easter duty for a long time, and this be publicly known, he is thereby a public sinner who loses his right to ecclesiastical burial. (C.1240).

† **Please keep in your prayers the sick** and those who Father goes to see: Jackie Kroger, Connie Sellers, Hope Wright.

† **14 DAY SANCTUARY LAMP:** 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. Fifth Lesson: On Our First Parents and the Fall*

Question: Who were the first man and woman?

Answer: The first man and woman were Adam and Eve.

The Hen's Egg: The world did not come into existence without a Creator. A young man who had finished his studies at the high school came home with an overweening idea of his knowledge and wisdom. Amongst other foolish theories which he enunciated, he asserted that the world was not made, it came into existence of itself, and was not the works of a Creator. His mother, a simple but sensible woman, let him run on, and listened in silence; at length she said: "Since you have such definite knowledge on all these matters, tell me, did the egg exist first, or the hen?" "The egg existed first," the youth replied, "all chickens come out of eggs." His mother continued: "That is impossible, for the egg comes from the hen, therefore the priority of existence belongs to the hen." Her son answered: "Perhaps you are right, mother." But she said again: "Yet you must not forget that there is never a hen that did not originally come out of an egg." The youth was silent, and looked abashed. "You will never be wise," his mother said to him, "if you do not believe in the Creator. The whole world will be an inexplicable puzzle to you and an enigma. Believe in God, and you will have the key to that enigma. Then only will you acquire true wisdom." The hen indisputably existed before the egg, for the hen lays the egg, and has to hatch it if the young bird is to come out of it. Therefore God created the first hen.

Question: Were Adam and Eve innocent and holy when they came from the hand of God?

Answer: Adam and Eve were innocent and holy when they came from the hand of God.

The Decision Goes to Virtue: Original justice consisted of a sound mind in a sound body; of a perfect subjection of the lower parts of creation to the higher, of man's lower to his higher nature; and of the complete harmony thus established between creatures and man, between man's body and soul, and between man and God. Cantor, a Greek philosopher who lived about three hundred years before Christ, relates that one day the divinities, Wealth, Pleasure, Honor, Health, and Virtue, suddenly appeared before the throng at the Olympic Games and asked the judges of the Areopagus to decide which of them most favorably influenced man's happiness. Wealth dazzled for a moment the judges' eyes, but Pleasure soon showed that he was only a means to her as an end. Honor claimed that Wealth and Pleasure were but things of a day unless linked to lasting renown, but then up rose Health and declared that without her all three were practically worthless. Virtue ended the dispute by making all the Greeks admit that even glory is but transitory, and that Wealth, Pleasure, Honor, and Health, without Virtue, become evils for those who do not know how to use them with discretion.

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.