

St. Therese the Little Flower Roman Catholic Church

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April 21st, 2024 3rd Sunday After Easter

Sunday, April 21 - 3rd Sunday after Easter (St. Justin, M)

8:00 am Low Mass (RIP Tommy Williamitis from The Williamitis Family)

Server: Aiden Sellers 9:35 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am High Mass w/Benediction (Pro Populo)

Server: Peter Creighton & Clayton Wright

Monday, April 22 - Ss. Soter & Caius, PpMm

NO MASS SCHEDULED (Philip & Pam Otworth from Andrew Otworth)

Tuesday, April 23 - St. George, M

7:00 am Low Mass (Special Intention from Cleo Speckert)

Wednesday, Aril 24 - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, M

7:00 am Low Mass (Timothy Anthony DeShazor from Kimberly Adams)

Thursday, April 25 – St. Mark, Ev (Greater Litanies)

7:00 am Low Mass (Parishioners of St. Therese from Kimberly Adams)

Friday, April 26 - Our Lady of Good Counsel (Ss. Cletus & Marcellinus, PpMm)

8:00 am High Mass (Conversion of Dustin Foxworth & William & Madeleine Kenney from Jamie Kennedy)

Saturday, April 27 - St. Peter Canisius, CD

8:30 am Low Mass (Michael Williamitis from The Williamitis Family)

Sunday, April 28 - St. Louis Marie de Montfort, C (4th Sunday after Easter; St. Paul of the Cross, C)

8:00 am Low Mass (William Souza from Michael DiSalvo)

Server: Issac Smith 9:35 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am Low Mass w/Benediction (Pro Populo)

Server: Daniel Wright, Xavier Wright.

Parish Web Site: **StThereseCMRI.org** CMRI Web Site: **cmri.org**

Announcements

- † **Annual Easter Duty**: "It is not, therefore, either love of God or regret for having offended Him which makes you go to **Confession** or make your Easter duty, of even the desire to lead a more Christian life...If you had a horror of sin, as you should have, would you be able to keep it, for a whole year, on your conscience?" St. John Vianney.
- † The next Catechism Classes with the Sisters will be April 28.
- † NOTE: The dates for the Adult Catechism & Children's Catechism with the Bishop and CMD Sisters will be July 22 26.
- 2nd Sunday after Easter (4/14/24) Collection: \$2028
- † SUMMER CAMPS for BOYS & GIRLS: 1) St. Joseph Summer Boys Camp July 21 July 26. Forms can be found at www.minorseminary.org. Registration deadline: July 1st. Cost: \$200. Location, Rathdrum, Idaho. 2) St. Philomena Summer Girls Camp July 21 July 26. Email: girlscamp@cmri.org or www.cmri.org/girls-camp/ or contact Sr. Bernardine Marie at 509-598-0156. Cost: \$200. Location: Spokane, Washington. Registration deadline: July 1st. 3) St. John Bosco Boys' Camp August 4 10. Please contact Fr. Gabriel frgabriellavery@gmail.com Cost: \$125 per youth, \$75 per additional child. Dads \$50. Registration deadline: July 1st. Location: Hiram, Ohio. 4) Milites Christi Boys' Camp August 4 9. Please contact Fr. Sellners at 507-276-3476 for the forms to fill out and more information. Cost: \$100. Location: Wauzeka, Wisconsin. 5) Mary Immaculate Catholic Church Girls' Camp July 15 20. To register please call 402-290-5478 or email materdei431@aol.com. Cost: \$100. Location: Mater Dei Convent 3715 286th St. Persia, IA 51563.

 If you would like to help sponsor someone to one of these camps, please contact Father.
- † **Petition to St. Therese** to help find a building for the school, convent, and rectory. The Novena Prayer to St. Therese after each Low Mass will be said for these intentions.

Reflection: Book 4 Chapter 1 The Great Reverence with Which Christ Should Be Received: "(continued)...7. Why, then, do I not seek Your adorable Presence with ardent longing? And why do I not prepare myself with meticulous care to receive this most holy Sacrament, since the ancient Patriarchs and Prophets, kings and princes, too, together with all the people, displayed such affectionate devotion for divine worship? 8. King David, that most devout ruler, danced before the Ark of the Covenant with all his might when he remembered all the favors bestowed on his forefathers. He made various kinds of musical instruments and composed psalms. These he ordered to be sung joyfully by all the people; and he also sang them himself to the accompaniment of his harp, when inspired by the grace of the Holy Ghost. He taught and exhorted the people to praise God with all their heart, blessing Him in unison every day. If the people of ancient times showed such reverence and devotion to God in the presence of the Ark of the Covenant, how much greater should be the reverence and devotion of Your and all Christian people, as also in the receiving of the precious Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ. 9. Many people travel great distances to visit the relics of Saints and marvel on hearing of their remarkable deeds. They gaze upon magnificent churches dedicated to them, paying homage to their blessed remains, wrapped with silk and covered with gold. But You, my God, the Saint of Saints, Creator of all things, and Lord of Angels, are here present on the altar before me! People are often excited by curiosity and novel sights, and so they return with little inclination toward amendment of life, especially when their pilgrimages are made hurriedly, going from one place to another, and no thought is given to true contrition for their sins. In the Sacrament of the altar, You are wholly present, God and Man; and here also, in all its abundance, is the fruit of eternal salvation, as often as You are received worthily and devoutly. To this Sacrament we are drawn not by curiosity, levity, or sensuality, but only by firm faith, devout hope, and pure charity. 10. O God, the invisible Creator of all the world, how wonderful are Your ways with us! How kind and gracious are Your dealings with Your chosen ones, to whom You offer Yourself to be received in this most holy Sacrament! It far surpasses all understanding, drawing the hearts of the devout in a special manner and enkindling their love. Your faithful ones, who give all their lives to amendment, often receive from this adorable Sacrament the grace of devotion and the love of virtue. 11. Wonderful and hidden is the grace bestowed by this Sacrament on the faithful of Christ, which unbelievers and those who give their lives up to sin can never experience! For spiritual grace is conferred by this Sacrament, lost virtue is renewed in the soul, and the beauty destroyed by sin returns again. Sometimes the grace of this Sacrament is so powerful, that from the fullness of devotion granted, not only the kind, but also the frail body recovers its former strength. 12. What a pity, and how much we ought to regret that we are so lukewarm and careless, as not to be drawn with greater love to receive Christ, our Lord; for in Him is all the hope and merit of those who are to be saved. He is our sanctification and redemption; the comforter of pilgrims, and the eternal joy of the Saints. Therefore, it is most regrettable that many have so little regard for this saving mystery, which fills heaven with joy and keeps all the world in being. How blind and hard are human hearts, when they pay such scant attention to so wonderful a gift, that even their daily reception of Holy Communion falls into mere routine! 13. If this most holy Sacrament were celebrated in one place only, and consecrated by only one priest in all the world, think how great would be the longing of people's hearts, and how they would flock to that place and visit that one priest of God in order to see the divine mysteries celebrated! But now there are many priests, and in many places Christ is offered up, so that as Holy Communion is more widely distributed throughout the world, the greater appears God's grace and love for human beings..." — The 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 Rose Marie, C.M.D.

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

Adult Catechism: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6 pm. Please see Father for more information.