



# St. Therese the Little Flower Roman Catholic Church

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## August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### **Sunday, August 27 – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (St. Joseph Calasanctius, C)**

8:00 am Low Mass (Intentions of Linda Faith)

Server: Joseph Lodrini

9:35 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am Low Mass (Pro Populo)

Server: Daniel Wright

### **Monday, August 28 – St. Augustine, BCD (St. Hermes, M)**

*\*\*NO MASS SCHEDULED\*\** (Traditional Priests & Nuns from Greg)

### **Tuesday, August 29 – Beheading of St. John the Baptist (St. Sabina, M)**

7:00 am Low Mass (Lona Turner from Matt & Bonnie Davis)

### **Wednesday, August 30 – St. Rose of Lima, V (Ss. Felix & Adauctus, Mm)**

7:00 am Low Mass (Michael Ribar Jr. from Hille Family)

### **Thursday, August 31 – St. Raymond Nonnatus, C**

7:00 am Low Mass (Pollyanna Vieira from Tarci Pires)

### **Friday, September 1 – Feria (St. Giles, Ab)**

6:00 pm Low Mass w/Holy Hour & Simple Benediction (A forgotten soul in purgatory from Daniel Pecks)

### **Saturday, September 2 – BVM Saturday (St. Stephen, KC)**

8:30 am Low Mass (My family & the souls in purgatory from Jackie Sellers)

### **Sunday, September 3 – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (St. Pius X, PC)**

8:00 am Low Mass (Lodrinis from Michelle Lodrini)

Server: Aiden Sellers

9:35 am Holy Rosary

10:00 am High Mass (Pro Populo)

Server: Clayton Wright

## Announcements

† **NOTE:** During the school year, the **weekday Mass times will be changed to 7 am.** This is due to having to move the school start time to 8 am. Also, during the school year, there will be a **school Mass on Friday at 8 am (except First Friday, 6 pm Mass as usual).** Saturday Mass time will remain the same at 8:30 am.

**12th Sunday  
after Pentecost  
(8/20/23)  
Collection: \$1178**

† The **Annual Parish Picnic (also to welcome Sister Rose Mary to the parish)** will be on **September 10th** at Armco Park after the 10 am Mass. The address is 1223 N. St. Rt. 741. Lebanon, OH 45036. Please look for Shelter #33. Please bring a side dish to share. The Church will provide the main course. Hope to see you there!

† **First Friday Mass** with Holy Hour & Simple Benediction to make **reparation** to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be at **6 pm.**

† **Adult Catechism** this Wednesday (8/30) at 6 pm.

† During these warm summer months, please remember to **observe the modesty standard.** Immodest dress pertains to: 1) Dresses or blouses with **low cut neck lines** 2) Skirts which **expose** the upper portions of the legs when sitting and standing. **No slit skirts.** 3) Clothing which is sheer (see through). 4) Excessively tight-fitting dresses or slacks. Modesty pamphlets with practical guidelines are available in the vestibule.

**Reflection:** *Book 3: Chapter 31 On Disregarding Creatures to Find the Creator:* “DISCIPLE: Lord, I am much in need of a still greater grace, if I am to arrive at that state where it would be beyond the power of any creature to stand in the way of my progress. As long as anything deters me, I cannot fly freely to You like the person who said: “*If only I had wings like a dove so that I could fly away and be at rest*” (Ps 55:7). Who can be more at rest than the person of single intention? And who has greater freedom than the person who desires nothing in this world? Persons should, therefore, rise above all creatures and, perfectly forgetting themselves, elevate their minds and see that there is nothing in all creation like You, the Creator of all. Unless human beings are detached from all created things, they will not be free to make divine things their goal. That is why there are so few contemplatives found who will sever all connections with perishable creatures. 2. A great grace is needed to elevate the soul and lift it above itself. And unless we are so elevated and detached from creatures and completely united to God, our knowledge and our possessions are of little importance. The one who esteems anything great but Almighty God, the Eternal Good, will remain small in soul and long lie bound to the things of earth. All else besides God is nothing and should be considered as worthless. There is a vast difference between the wisdom of an enlightened and devout soul and the knowledge of a learned and studious scholar. The knowledge which is poured into the soul by the influence of God’s grace is far nobler than that which is acquired by human labor and study. 3. Many are the admirers of contemplation but few are willing to use the means needed for its attainment. It is a great hindrance to contemplation that we depend so much on outward signs and material things and practice little mortification. I do not know by what spirit we are led, nor what the aim is of those who are called spiritual persons, that we direct so much of our effort and solicitude toward transitory things, but seldom recollect our senses or give thought to the inward state of our own soul. 4. The sad fact is that after a short period of meditation, we become involved in the external actions of everyday life without pausing to examine our conscience concerning all that we do. We pay no attention where our affections lie, nor do we have sorrow for our lack of pure intention and the sinfulness of our deeds. In the days of Noah *all the people on earth were perverse in what they did* (Gen 6:12), and therefore God sent the great deluge to destroy it. As long as our intentions are corrupt, so too will be the actions which follow; for they indicate our lack of inward strength. From a clean heart comes the fruit of a good life. 5. Many inquire after the deeds of others, but they have little regard for the zeal and intention with which they did them. They ask whether they are strong, wealthy, handsome, good writers or singers, industrious workers; but whether they are poor in spirit, patient, humble, and live a devout, interior life is of little or no consequence to them. Nature looks at the exterior of a person, but grace turns itself to the inward intention of the act. Nature is often mistaken, but grace trusts in God and is not deceived.” — *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 Mary, C.M.D.

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