

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

- Sunday, October 16th**
- Masses—8:30, 11:00AM; 5PM Youth Mass
- Baptisms 8:30AM Mass
- 1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting 1PM (Parish Hall)
- Faith Formation
- Knights of Columbus Wreath/Christmas Cards/Membership
- Life Teen 6PM (Parish Hall)
- Monday, October 17th**
- Marriage Preparation Session 7PM (Parish Hall)
- Tuesday, October 18th**
- Knights of Columbus Sponsored Blood Drive 2-8PM (Parish Hall)
- Christian Formation Commission Meeting 7PM (Parish Office)
- Wednesday, October 19th**
- Women's Fellowship 9:30 AM (Narthex Room)
- Mass 6PM (Chapel)
- Sandwich Drop Off 5-7PM
- Adult Initiation 7PM (Narthex Room)
- Adult Faith Formation—"Roots & Fruits" Series begins 7PM (Parish Hall)
- Thursday, October 20th**
- 9AM Mass
- Sandwich Drop Off 9AM
- Wedding Rehearsal—Hispanic Community 5:30 (Main Church)
- Hispanic Sacramental Prep Introductory Session 5:30 (Parish Hall)
- Confirmation Prep 6PM (Overflow Room)
- Spanish Mass 7PM (Church)
- Friday, October 21st**
- 9AM Mass
- Edge Night 6PM (Parish Hall)
- Saturday, October 22nd**
- Hispanic Community Baptism 10:30AM; Wedding 1PM
- Sacrament of Reconciliation 4PM
- Masses 5PM (English); 7PM (Spanish);
- Hispanic Faith Formation 5:30PM (Parish/Office)
- Hispanic Community "Kermes" Food Sale after 5PM, 7PM Masses
- Knights of Columbus Wreath/Christmas Cards/Membership
- Sunday, October 23rd**
- Masses—8:30, 11:00AM; 5PM Youth Mass; Knights of Columbus Wreath/Christmas Cards/Membership (All Masses)
- Faith Formation
- Life Teen Night 6PM (Parish Hall)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21
- Tuesday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9
- Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48
- Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53
- Friday:** Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59
- Saturday:** Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9
- Sunday:** Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18;
1 Thes 1:5c-10;
Mt 22:34-40

FAITH FORMATION
Children *** Adults and Family *** Youth



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION: Sunday class for Pre-school (3-4 year olds) at 8:30am and 11:00am and for grades K-5 from 9:45-10:45am. **WE NEED YOU!** We need 2 adult volunteers to coach our Pre-School (3-4 year olds) FF class during the 11:00am Mass. Please contact Micie if you can help! If we are unable to find volunteers for this class, I may need to ask parents to each serve for a given month in their child's room or may have to cancel the class altogether.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Children (grades 2-5 and grades 6-12) who need First Communion and First Confession must complete a year of faith formation (CCD) before they will be eligible to participate in the sacrament group. There is a mandatory Parent Orientation meeting on Sunday, Oct 16th at 1-2:30pm in the parish hall. Please pray for our 1st Reconciliation candidates who will be enrolling themselves liturgically into the Sacramental Program on Oct 24th at the 11AM Mass. The community is asked to support these candidates and their families as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in December.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT SESSION: If you want to make sure your child is safe in the Faith Formation program or in our parish---come to the Safe Environment session on Monday, October 24th at 6:30pm in the parish hall. The Archdiocese is ensuring that all parents in a parish are adequately informed about the issue of child abuse and on how to keep our children safe! We are required to offer the Called to Protect for Parents & Families to the parish community. Please pre-register at www.seattle.setanet.org. If you need childcare—please call the office by October 19th.

CATECHISTS: Inviting you to attend the dynamic workshop led by Joe Paprocki at St. Charles Borromeo on Oct.22, 9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. Contact Micie.

YOUTH MINISTRY

LIFETEEN

- ♦ 10/16 – Life Teen 6-8pm "Follow the Recipe" @ Parish Hall
- ♦ 10/23 – Life Teen 6-8pm Issues Night @ Parish Hall

YOUTH CONVENTION- Early Registration is now open online! Speakers, workshops, t-shirts, meeting youth from all over this diocese, and so much more! Check out this link: <http://www.regonline.com/Register/Checkout.aspx?EventID=1012455>

EDGE

- ♦ 10/21-Edge Night 6-8pm "Marked by God"@ Parish Hall

LIFETEEN MASS

Life Teen Mass is in need of liturgical servers especially sacristans. We will offer training if need be. In order for this Mass to run smoothly, it is very important that we fill these needed positions. We are also in need of an adult with musical background to help coordinate the Life Teen Band. Please contact Diana for more information.

CONFIRMATION

- ♦ 10/20- Confirmation Candidate Sponsor Orientation 6-8pm @ Over Flow Room

CORE TEAM

- ♦ 10/19 Edge Core 630pm; Life teen Core 730pm @ Parish Office

Offer a welcoming spirit...sponsor a new Catholic

As you sit in Church each Sunday, listening to the Good News of the day, do you see Jesus in the person sitting next to you? Can you feel the Holy Spirit working upon their soul? What if that person was wondering if the Catholic Church was the place for them? Would you answer the call to help them? Every week, there are several inquirers among us who need direction, support and love as they begin to learn more about the Catholic Church, and what it could mean to them. They're looking for guides within our Parish, someone to walk with them on their journey. Perhaps the time is right for you to become a sponsor. For more information about sponsoring new Catholics, contact Mary Morrison at 253-927-6838; For more information about becoming Catholic or reconnecting with the Catholic Church, contact the Parish Office at 253-838-5924.



The Food Bank is in Need of canned Chili and canned Beef Stew.

Your St. Vincent De Paul Society in Action

We need your help. An elderly client is in need of a Queen size or full sized Mattress and Box Spring, in good condition, as well as appropriate bedding. The client recently suffered water damage in her home and is in need of the requested items since she is on a limited, fixed income and cannot afford to replace the items.

Please contact Virginia or Joseph Roni at phone number (253) 838-8919 if you are able to donate any of these items.



FOR THE HOUSEBOUND

Mary DeVoe, Arleen Emery, Helen Baer, Betty O'Neil, Lee Ark, Lois Belcher, Mary Durante, & Robert Osborn.



We wish to take this opportunity to thank Patty White for all her gifts of time and talent that she so graciously shares with our parish. Patty is an Altar Server, heads up the St. Theresa Food Bank, serves on the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and is a new member of the newly formed Marriage Preparation Classes that our parish now offers. She is a wonderful person, with a kind heart and a wonderful smile. We thank you Patty for your many gifts of time and talent.

DESIGNS FOR LIFE

Designs for Life will be meeting on Tuesdays in the parish office again. Meeting dates are October 25th at 1PM. Please join us to sew, knit, crochet and embroider items for pregnant women in need. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Kellar (253) 874-0537; kellar@clearwire.net. Also, please keep Nancy Wymb's in your prayers. Nancy has had to step down from her leadership role due to illness. Please come and join us!

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Ladies... Please join us in fellowship, scripture study, and prayer every Wednesday morning in the Narthex Room in the church building from 9:30-11:30AM. We start with a short fellowship, then our pray time with the rosary during October, then continue doing "Sisters in Scripture", a study guide written by last Spring's Retreat Speaker, Kathleen Kichline, followed by a short business time and more fellowship. Join us anytime! For any questions, call Karin Garton at 253-941-1434.



Weekly Collection Report

Thank you to all who contribute to the support of our Parish. A weekly goal of \$9,904 is needed to keep us on budget for the year.

Last Week's Collection 10-9-10	\$ 7,777
Year to Date Actual (15)	\$144,536
Year to Date Budget (15)	\$154,414
Deficit	\$ 9,878



KNIGHTS NOTES

- **MEMBERSHIP BLITZ** - This weekend begins our annual Fall Membership Blitz. Now is a great time to learn more about the work and fellowship being a Brother Knight can bring to your life. The contributions you can make to your faith community and friendships that last a lifetime are a small sample of the benefits of Knighthood. Talk to a Brother Knight after Mass at the membership table in the Narthex.
- **MEN'S RETREAT Nov 5th** - is open to all men of St. Theresa's Parish. This year Fr. John Fuchs of Bellarmine Prep is the Retreat Master. Watch here for sign up information soon.
- **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS GREENS, CARDS AND CARVINGS SALE** - on sale at all Masses this weekend and through 10/22-23. For more information about St. Theresa's Knights of Columbus Council 7908 email kofc7908info@gmail.com.

FAITH IN ACTION FOCUS...

October is Respect Life Month

Mark your 2012 calendar...

- ♦ **Mass for Life and March for Life** in Olympia will be held on January 17, 2012. We car pool from St. Theresa's Parish to St. Michael's for the Mass at 10 AM and return after the march arriving back in mid-afternoon.

"Ending the death penalty would be one important step away from a culture of death and toward building a culture of life." - *A Culture of Life and the Penalty of Death* United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2005

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Each year at tax time, we conscientiously give "to Caesar what belongs to Caesar". Does my stewardship indicate that I am as faithful about giving "to God what belongs to God"?

ST. THERESA'S 50+ CLUB

- **Fri. Nov. 4th** 9 AM First Friday Mass & Adoration followed by breakfast at Twin Lakes Country Club.
- **Sat. Nov. 19th** "Let Us Give Thanks" Potluck right after 5 PM Mass. Join us as we enjoy the traditional holiday foods of Autumn. Also a good time to join or renew membership in the 50+ Club so our potlucks can continue. Dues are \$15 annually.
- **SAVE THE DATE** Sunday, Dec. 18th. See "The Christmas Revels" at the Rialto Theatre in Tacoma at 1 PM followed by Mass and dinner at the Palisades. Total cost will be about \$45 each.

FAITH IN LIGHT PROGRAM

Faith in Light is a Christian ecumenical movement for people of all ages with disabilities, including their families and friends. We have fellowship, learning and prayer. Our first meeting will be on Sunday, October 30th beginning at 1PM at St. Theresa's. For more information, please call Mary Margaret at 253-927-5558. We hope to see you there.

FROM THE DESK OF LINDA DEMARCE

MASSES THIS WEEK

Masses this week will be celebrated on Wednesday at 6PM, Thursday and Friday at 9AM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated each Saturday at 4PM in English, 6PM in Spanish.

and God bless this parish and keep us strong and growing.

ROMAN MISSAL IMPLEMENTATION

We are moving along with the implementation. Again, this weekend Frank Lewis, Music Director took us through the Gloria once again, and also introduced the Alleluia. We will continue with the introductions each and every weekend. So far, so good. Everyone seems to be catching on, and there doesn't seem to be any major hang-ups. We will keep you informed as the changes are implemented, and we will all be prepared for the 1st Sunday of Advent. Again, if you have any questions, or concerns, please contact either myself at sttheresaparish@msn.com, or Fr. Leonardo at the parish office.

PARISH ANNUAL REPORT

Our parish annual report is here and was handed out this past weekend. If you were not present at the Masses, no worries, we will have the report available at the back of the church this weekend and next. Or, you may pick up a copy at the parish office. Please take the time to read this report as it really is a snapshot of the parish and our parish life throughout the year.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, October 23rd our parish will join other parishes in supporting the World Mission Collection. This is an annual collection is a time for all of us to pray and reflect upon what is our mission? We should all know that mission is the essential work of the church. So, we ask that you pray about the mission at St. Theresa, and help us to support this collection. Thank you in advance.

ADVANCE NOTICE

All Saints Day— Tuesday, November 1st (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass will be celebrated at 9AM.

All Souls Day—

Wednesday, November 2nd Mass will be celebrated at 9AM & 6PM. If you wish, you are invited to bring a photo or memento in honor of your deceased love one. For those parishioners and family members of parishioners that have passed away during the course of the year, a candle will be lit in their memory, as well as their name being read. If you have a family member that has passed away during the course of the past year, please let the parish office know. We are assuring all that as a parish staff, our prayers and thoughts are with you always.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL

Beginning the weekend of October 29th/30th our parish along with all the parishes within our Archdiocese will begin our Annual Parish Stewardship Renewal program at the parish. This year, I am very pleased to announce that Carmela DeCastro will be our Witness Speaker at all the Masses on the weekend of November 5th/6th. Carmela has been a long time parishioner of the parish, and truly lives out the calling of stewardship. She will be a strong speaker, but also one that speaks from her heart and soul.

This year in particular, we need to not only answer the call of Stewardship treasure, but also if possible increase our call to stewardship. As you know with the economy the past 4 years, our parish along with all the parishes in the diocese has taken a hard hit. The many stories that have been shared with me from fellow parishioners on how they have lost their jobs, their houses, and so many other terrible tragedies. Our parish is not alone in the everyday struggles. There are times, I don't know where the money will come from in order to meet all the demands of a parish of our size. I am asking each of us to carefully discern our financial commitment to the parish this year. If possible, try to increase your commitment from previous year. It is not always easy, but the need is definitely there. The Pastoral Council, Finance Council and I are always working on solutions to the ever growing list of demands that we need to meet, but sometimes, some needs may not be met. We all know that we need to have funding for staff salaries, maintenance, programs, and all the 101 things that go with parish life. Please listen to all the information that is given at this time of Stewardship, and open your hearts to listening, and a careful, calculated discernment process. We need everyone to participate in this Annual Stewardship Renewal. It is vital to the life of St. Theresa Parish.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parish Pictorial Directory— Beginning January, Olan Mills will be out to the parish so that we can all participate in an all parish pictorial directory. It has been many years since we have had an updated directory. Watch future bulletins for more information when the time is nearer. We will probably need parish volunteers as the sessions are set up for picture taking.

Annual Ministry Volunteer Fair—We will once again have our Volunteer Ministry Fair in January. This will enable us all to join and to share our gifts of time and talent with the parish. More info to come!

All Parish Registration—One of my personal goals for this parish is to have an improved registration card for all of us. It has been since I don't know when we have had an all parish registration. This will enable us all to update our parish registration, add children that may not be listed in the parish directory, register if you have not officially done so. I see many new faces, but not sure if they are registered at the parish. This will be as well something in January. Stay tuned for more information!

ST. THERESA'S PARISH

St. Theresa's invites all to follow Jesus Christ by celebrating the sacraments and building a diverse community"



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- Hispanic Ministry** - Parochial Vicar
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Consultative Structures

- Pastoral Council**
- Doug Johnson (253) 874-0581
- Finance Council**
- Robert Celski (253) 925-5242
- Mary Morrison (253) 927-6838
- Christian Formation Commission**
- Faith in Action**
- Lynn Weinman (253) 952-5152
- Spiritual Life & Worship**
- Denise Lichty (253) 952-4314
- Sacrament of Baptism**

If you are expecting a baby or have an infant to be baptized, contact Micie DelosReyes at (253)838-5924, ext. 304 to make an appointment at least three months prior to the next scheduled session. Infant Baptism classes are held six times a year.

Marriage Preparation

For those who have not been married before, at least 6 months notice is required. For those who have been married, a longer period is required for annulment purposes. (Call Linda DeMarce, (253) 838-5924, extension #307)

Linda DeMarce, Pastoral Coordinator
Fr. Leonardo Pestano, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Gilberto Mora-Tapia, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Dave Jones

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5 PM (English); 7 PM (Spanish)
Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00 AM; 5PM Youth Mass

Weekdays/Holy Days: As Announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4 PM until all are heard
Also, any time by appointment.

Chapel is open from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM daily.

Committees

Christian Formation

- Women's Fellowship Karin Garton (253) 941-1434
- Faith Sharing Comm. Mary Ann Bartholomew (253) 927-4527
- Adult Initiation Mary Morrison (253) 927-6838

Faith in Action

- Eucharist For Sick Mary Ann Earles (253) 838-1486
- Grief Ministry Bernie Jacobs (253) 927-2766
- Fusion/Joseph Foundation Peggy LaPorte (253) 927-1904
- Sandwich Ministry Laurie Fiorito (253) 719-8496
- Nativity House Ron Vandenberg (253) 835-0212
- Bill Michaud (253) 719-8550
- Tithing Committee Rita Keough (253) 838-6218
- Social Justice Jim Harnish (253) 927-6019
- SVDP Assistance Line (206) 767-6449
- SVDP Membership Virginia/Joe Roni (253) 838-8919
- SVDP Food Bank Patti White (253) 437-6061
- Prayer Line Mary Schindler (253) 952-8585
STTheresaPrayerLine@hotmail.com

- Reach Out Nancy Jaenicke (253) 973-1962
- Faith in Light Mary Margaret DeLorenzo (253) 927-5558

Spiritual Life and Worship

- Altar Servers Catherine DeCastro (253) 569-9828
- Art and Environment Teresa Tillman (253) 924-0729
- Coffee and Donuts Tom Smith (253) 381-9314
- Eucharistic Ministers Lisa Seabolt (253) 568-0883
- Altar Society Carmela DeCastro (253) 653-6437
- Hospitality Angel Quant (253) 661-2355
- Lectors Mike Radford (253) 735-4474
- Cynthia Kadoshima (253) 927-8178

Other

- Facility Bob Dahl (253) 838-9873
- Knights of Columbus Gene Victor (253) 952-3916
- Senior's Group Pat Smith (253) 924-1727
- Gethsemane Catholic Cemetery (253) 927-3350