

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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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.

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Pastoral Council

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Mary Morrison (253) 927-6838

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)

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	St Vincent de Paul	(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

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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

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, October 30th

- Masses—8:30, 11:00AM; 5PM Youth Mass
- Faith Formation
- Faith & Light Program 1PM (Narthex Room)
- First Reconciliation Sacramental Prep 1PM (Parish Hall)
- Life Teen Night 6PM (Parish Hall)

Monday, October 31st

- No parish activities scheduled

Tuesday, November 1st

- All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation) Masses 9AM & 7PM

Wednesday, November 2nd

- Women's Fellowship 9:30 AM (Narthex Room)
- All Souls Day Masses at 9AM & 7PM
- Sandwich Drop Off 5-7PM
- Adult Initiation 7PM (Narthex Room)

Thursday, November 3rd

- 9AM Mass
- Sandwich Drop Off 9AM
- Hispanic First Reconciliation 5:30PM (Parish Hall)
- Quinmcenera Preparation (Class #1) 5:30 (Parish Hall)
- Spanish Mass 7PM (Church)
- Confirmation Preparation 6PM (Overflow Room)

Friday, November 4th

- 9AM Mass
- NO Edge Night—Youth Convention Begins

Saturday, November 5th

- Parish Annual Stewardship Begins—Carmela DeCastro Witness Speaker at all Masses
- Men's Retreat (Palisades) 9AM-4PM
- St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday
- Sacrament of Reconciliation 4PM
- Masses 5PM (English); 7PM (Spanish);
- Hispanic Faith Formation 5:30PM (Parish/Office)

Sunday, November 6th

- Masses—8:30, 11:00AM; 5PM Youth Mass; St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday; Parish Annual Stewardship—Carmela DeCastro Witness Speaker (All Masses)
- Faith Formation
- NO Life Teen Night; Youth Convention Concludes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 11:29-36; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24, 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a

Wed: Suggested: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40 or any readings from no. 668 or the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016

Thurs: Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

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



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Elementary Faith Formation Classes— Oct 30th, Nov 6th, 13th, 20th (Advent Rally Day!), 27th (No Class—Thanksgiving)

First Reconciliation Classes: (For both Parents and Candidates grades 2-12)

Oct 30th—Sunday 1-2:30pm Lessons 1 & 2; Nov 13th Sunday 1-2:20pm Lessons 3 & 4; Dec 4 Sunday 1-2:30pm Lessons 5 & 6

- **ALL SAINTS' DAY:** This feast is on Tuesday, November 1st which is a Holy Day of Obligation. This feast celebrates that everyone is invited to salvation, and that many have been welcomed after death into the full presence of God.
- **ALL SOULS DAY:** On Wednesday, November 2nd is All Souls Day. Let us come together and celebrate the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed especially our loved ones.

➤ **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

The next Baptismal celebration (for infants up to 7 years old) is scheduled on November 20, 2011, Sunday at the 11am Mass. The baptism classes for parents and godparents are scheduled on 11/9/11 and 11/16/11. Please call and register at the parish office prior to attending the classes.

YOUTH MINISTRY

LIFETEEN

◆ 10/30 – 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/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1012455>

EDGE

◆ 11/4 –NO Edge Night (Youth Convention Begins)

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

◆ 11-3- Confirmation Session 6-8pm @ Over Flow Room

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.

FROM THE DESK OF LINDA DEMARCE

MASSES THIS WEEK

Masses this week will be celebrated on Tuesday, All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation) at 9AM, 7PM, Wednesday, All Souls Day at 9AM, 7PM, Thursday and Friday at 9AM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

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 which we sang for the first time. Our new Roman Missals have arrived, and Fr. Leonardo is studying them as we speak! 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.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Thank you to all who contributed to this once a year Diocesan Collection to help all the missions throughout the world. Our parish collected over \$2,300 in just one weekend. Thank you to all who contributed to this most needy cause.

ALL SOULS DAY

We will be celebrating All Souls Day on Wednesday, November 2nd with Masses at 9AM and 7PM. As I mentioned this past weekend, all families of St. Theresa are encouraged to bring along with them to either of the Masses, a memento of a special person that has passed away. This may be a photo (please no larger than a 5X7), a special rosary, anything that was special to that special person in your life. Also, for those that have died during the course of this past year, we will be honoring a candle in their memory, and reading their name at the Masses. If you have a family member, or a special friend that has passed away during the course of the year and would like their name read, and a candle lit, please give me a call at the parish office, or send me an e-mail.

PARISH ANNUAL REPORT

If you have not picked up a copy of the 2010-2011 parish annual report, please do so this weekend. This is a snapshot or short history of the parish for the past fiscal year. There are so many positive and good things that have taken place in the course of the year, and all of our parishioners should be aware of them. Please pick up your copy today at the back of the church in the designated pick up area.

COFFEE HOUR

Our coffee and donut hour has begun at the parish. Thanks to Tom Smith and all his core volunteers for making this happen. We are in need of volunteers for the 11AM Mass, please contact Tom (front of the bulletin) for more information. Without volunteers, this ministry cannot happen. Please give of your time and talent in this most needed ministry.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL

Beginning today, October 29th/30th our parish along with all the parishes within our Archdiocese will begin our Annual Parish Stewardship Renewal program at the parish. As has been the custom of our parish since I have been here, the parish budget will be presented this weekend. Bob Celski our Chair of the Parish Finance Council will be presenting a very key element in our Stewardship Renewal Appeal this year. The following weekend, November 5th/6th Carmela DeCastro will be our Witness Speaker at all the Masses. 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 your 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. As you will hear from Bob Celski, our parish budget is as "lean" of a budget as we can possibly have, and we are counting on each parish family to give your part of the gift of "Treasure" during this call in November. Please carefully discern your pledge, and take advantage of our EFT program (Electronic Funds Transfer). We need the whole parish to be on board and giving to the needs of the 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!



The Food Bank is in Need of Peanut Butter and Raspberry or Strawberry Jams. **Your St. Vincent De Paul Society in Action** Parishioners - Please bring your gently used household items and clothing to the weekend masses of November 5 -6. A St. Vincent De Paul Truck will be present in the church parking lot to receive your donations. The resale of these donations in the Society's thrift stores can help pay someone's rent or keep their utilities from being shut off. You may wonder how donating such a small item as a juicer or warm jacket can help pay a rent or a utility bill. It is because the profits generated at the Society thrift stores are returned to any Seattle/King County St. Vincent de Paul Society in need of funds to assist the needy in their community. We trust you, the parishioners of St. Theresa who have always been so generous, will imitate our patroness, St. Therese the Little Flower, and help in this "little way" on Bundle Sunday. Nov. 5th and 6th.

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 time to thank **Julio Picon** for all his many gifts of time and talent that he not only shares with our Hispanic Community, but also as a liaison or bridge between the two communities with the ultimate goal of bringing all closer to God. Julio does many things within the Hispanic Community, and also is a new member of the Pastoral Council. We thank you **Julio** for the gifts that God has given to you to share with our parish community.

DESIGNS FOR LIFE

Designs for Life will be meeting on Tuesdays in the parish office again. Meeting dates are November 8th & 22nd 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 Keller (253) 874-0537; kellar@clearwire.net. Also, please keep Nancy Wymbs in your prayers. Nancy has had to step down from her leadership role due to illness. Please come and join us!

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

WF will meet after morning mass this Wednesday morning in the Narthex Room in the church building until 11:30am. We are following Sarah's story from "Sisters in Scripture", a study guide written by last Spring's Retreat Speaker, Kathleen Kichline. All women are welcome to join us at anytime for our study and fellowship. 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 10-22/23	\$ 8,140
Year to Date Actual (17)	\$ 159,743
Year to Date Budget (17)	\$ 174,222
Deficit	\$ 14,479



KNIGHTS KNOTES

• **CONGRATULATIONS NEW KNIGHTS** - Council 7908 welcomes **Mark Bofenkamp, Ryan Flynn and Steven**

Castillo who completed their 1st Deree Exemption on Monday, October 24th.

- **THANKS** - to all the volunteers and those who donate at the Blood Drive. We provided Puget Sound Blood Centers with 31 pints.
- **SEAHAWKS FUND RAISER** is this weekend on Sunday, followed by November 13. Contact Walt Aho at 253 347 2492 or walteraho@msn.com if you can lend a helping hand.

For more information about your St. Theresa's Knights of Columbus Council 7908 contact kofc7908info@gmail.com or the Parish office.

FAITH IN ACTION FOCUS...

"Respect Life should be for all year not just in October."
Larry Moneteaux (St. Theresa's Deacon for many years)

Designs for Life meets year around to sew, knit, crochet and gift newborns, the homeless, the homebound and those in nursing care with items that show Care for Life. If you'd like to help in some way you are invited contact Diane Keller at 253-874-0537.

Catholic Community Services and the extensive network of Catholic health care institutions in Washington are a critical and necessary part of our respect-for-life outreach -- for whenever we honor and strengthen the gift of life, whenever we care for the poor and sick, we care for Christ himself. They are extensions of the bedrock Catholic stance that life is sacred from the moment of conception --- and continues to be sacred for every moment of life, up to natural death." *From Archbishop Sartain's Progress Article on Oct. 13th, 2011*

Reach Out, a program of CCS, is seeking volunteers to provide meals for the homeless of our community. To help with hot meals contact **Willa Gaines 253-838-4081**. To help with sandwiches for the lunches contact **Donna Cirincione 253-569-4597**.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

"The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest, "Jesus says in today's Gospel. What wonderful good news for those who give of their time in service to others!

ST. THERESA'S 50+ CLUB

- ◇ **Friday—Nov 4th**—First Friday Mass and 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, 1 PM See the popular "Christmas Revels" at the Rialto Theatre in Tacoma; then Mass & delicious dinner at The Palisades. Total cost for each person is \$48. Call 253-838-1790 to reserve.

FAITH IN LIGHT PROGRAM

Faith and Light is a Christian ecumenical movement for people of all ages with mental and physical **DISABILITIES** including their families and friends. We have fellowship, learning and prayer. Our first meeting of the year is today, Oct. 30th at 1PM at St. Theresa's. Our subject will be on All Soul's and All Saint's Day. For more information call Mary Margaret 253 927 5558. We pray you can make it.