

# 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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## 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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### Consultative Structures

#### Pastoral Council

Doug Johnson (253) 874-0581

#### Finance Council

Robert Celski (253) 925-5242

#### Christian Formation Commission

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

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Art and Environment Teresa Tillman (253) 924-0729

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Altar Society Carmela DeCastro (253) 653-6437

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Gethsemane Catholic Cemetery (253) 927-3350

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**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**

**Monday, November 7th**

- **No parish activities scheduled**

**Tuesday, November 8th**

- **No Parish Activities scheduled**

**Wednesday, November 9th**

- Women's Fellowship 9:30 AM (Narthex Room)
- Mass 6PM (Chapel)
- Sandwich Drop Off 5-7PM
- Altar Server Training Service 6PM (Main Church)
- Adult Initiation 7PM (Narthex Room)
- Sp Life and Worship Commission Meeting 7PM (Parish Office)
- Baptismal Preparation 7PM (Narthex Room)

**Thursday, November 10th**

- 9AM Mass
- Sandwich Drop Off 9AM
- Quinmcenera Preparation (Class #2) 5:30 (Parish Hall)
- Spanish Mass 7PM (Church)
- Finance Council Meeting 5:30PM(Parish Office)
- St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting 7PM (Parish Office)

**Friday, November 11th**

- 9AM Mass
- Parish Office Closed—Veterans Day Holiday
- **Edge Resumes 7PM**

**Saturday, November 12th**

- Couples for Christ Meeting 9AM (Parish Hall)
- **Parish Annual Stewardship—Commitment Sunday (All Masses)**
- Sacrament of Reconciliation 4PM
- Masses 5PM (English); 7PM (Spanish);
- Hispanic Faith Formation 5:30PM (Parish/Office)

**Sunday, November 13th**

- Masses—8:30, 11:00AM; 5PM Youth Mass; *Parish Stewardship—Commitment Sunday (All Masses)*
- Faith Formation ; Faith in Action Mtg 9:45 (Parish Hall); 1st Reconciliation Prep 1PM (Parish Hall)
- Life Teen Night 6PM (Parish Hall)

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday:** Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6  
**Tuesday:** Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Lk 17:7-10  
**Wednesday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46;  
 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22  
**Thursday:** Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Lk 17:20-25  
**Friday:** Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37  
**Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8  
**Sunday:** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31;  
 Ps 128; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30  
 [14-15, 19-21]

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



**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

November 6th- Class 5 ; November 13th- Class 6; November 20th-  
**ADVENT RALLY**; November 27th NO Class

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

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

- CLOW-Children's Liturgy of the Word: This ministry is **ONLY** offered at the 8:30am and 11:00am Masses when Sunday Faith Formation classes are in session. This is open **ONLY** to children in grades Kinder to 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **CHILDCARE SERVICES:** This service is also offered **ONLY** at the 8:30am and 11:00am Masses when Sunday Faith Formation classes are in session. This service is for children up to 2 years old. Please register with our Childcare workers in the nursery room.
- **Join a family ADVENT-ure:** Family Advent Rally on Sunday, November 20 at 9:45-10:45am in the parish hall. See separate flyer for details! If you would like to help out at this Rally, please contact Micie at the parish office.
- **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-**

11/6- **No Life Teen-** Youth Convention  
 11/13-Life Night "Rise&Walk" 6-8pm @ Parish Hall.

**EDGE-**

11/11- Edge Night "Not on Bread Alone" 6-8pm @Parish Hall

**CONFIRMATION-**

11/17- Super Session 3&4 6-8pm @ Overflow Room

**LT Mass-** 11/6, 11/13, 11/20

**No LT Mass 11/27- Thanksgiving Break.**

**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 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.

**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. Shortly we will have pew cards in the pews as well showing the exact changes, and what the responses are. Also, we will provide a brochure shortly on why the changes, just so once more all are informed and educated as to why these changes are happening. Again, if you have any questions, or concerns, please contact either myself at [sttheresaparish@msn.com](mailto:sttheresaparish@msn.com), or Fr. Leonardo at the parish office.

**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.

**BOB CELSKI**

I want to take this opportunity to thank Bob Celski for his wonderful and informative budget presentation this past weekend. Bob really "hit the nail on the head", with the basics of the budget and mapped out the road ahead for this coming fiscal year. Our Sunday Collections continue to be on the downside, and unfortunately, the economy is not any much better. We need to take a serious look at the budget, and that is what Bob did. Thank you Bob for your time, energy, and expertise on this subject.

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL**

This 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 last 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 Bob Celski pointed out, the month of October and November will be the telling point in which the Finance Council will base their upcoming recommendations to the Pastoral Council on what to do if Sunday Collections do not pick up. Our parish along with many other parishes in the diocese are facing this problem. Many parishes have already made budget cuts, which include Staffing, programs, and even in some cases usage of the buildings to help decrease the ever mounting utility bills. It is sad, but it is also reality. I am asking each of you to look deep into your hearts and minds as you discern your stewardship commitment to the parish this year. Don't think that your donation does not make a difference. Every dollar pledged will make a difference in the overall picture.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Parish Pictorial Directory**— We have had to move the dates, and this will probably take place in February instead of January due to calendar conflicts. 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 Paper Towels and Bathroom Tissue.  
YOUR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY IN ACTION

Two weeks ago we helped 3 homeless families/ individuals with temporary shelter (motel). They were all disabled, had run out of funds while waiting to receive their disability Social Security payments on Nov 1. One was a single woman of 19, who could no longer stay safely in her mother's apartment. The young woman who requested our help is disabled due to schizophrenia and needed shelter while she awaited retroactive Social Security Disabled Benefits that would allow her to move into a low income rental apartment. We helped her with 1 week's motel stay, food, and bus tickets and then referred her to the Seattle Central Office of the Society. After the interview at the Seattle Office agreed to provide this single woman of 19 an additional week of motel assistance. Here is the message that was sent to us by the Counselor who conducted the interview: "Thank you for referring this client to us. We found her to be a bright, young person who has already survived many challenges in life. She is very active in her own well-being by participating in mental health treatment, staying current on her medication, and utilizing Work Source offices in her pursuit of future employment. She was on-time, grateful for the assistance and willing to answer any and all of the intake questions we had for her." Thanks to you, Parishioners, your continued support of our outreach program allows us to help the many such individuals that are truly deserving of assistance.



**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 **Marivic Bartolome** for all of her many gifts of time and talent! Marivic is a member of the Pastoral Council, and also participates in helping with our Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11AM Mass. We thank you Marivic for your gifts that you so eagerly give back to the church. Thank you Marivic!

**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 any time 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 10-29-30	\$ 9,870
Year to Date Actual (18)	\$ 169,613
Year to Date Budget (18)	\$ 184,126
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>\$ 14,513</b>



**KNIGHTS KNOTES**

◆ **CONGRATULATIONS** and welcome to our newest member **John Morgan**. St. Theresa's Council 7908 have welcomed five new Brother Knights since the beginning of our fraternal year, July 1.

- ◆ **THANKS** to all the men of our Parish who attended the Men's Retreat. As always, it was a deeply spiritual day full of warm fellowship.
- ◆ **COFFEE CLUB** gathers every Wednesday morning at Starbucks on Hoyt Road between 6:30 and 7:30 am. Coffee Club welcomes all men of our Parish!

**FAITH IN ACTION FOCUS...**

*"Those who eat the Bread of Christ cannot remain indifferent before those, who even in our days, lack daily bread"*  
- Pope Benedict XVI

- ◆ **Consider Joining A Team of Parish Sandwich Makers**- who provide about 20,000 sandwiches each year to feed the hungry in Tacoma. You will be put on a parish team that makes sandwiches once a month at home. You deliver them to the church refrigerator on a designated Wed. or Sun. From there they are picked up by parish volunteers and taken to Guadeloupe House. Guidelines are provided by contacting **Laurie Fiorito 206-815-6327**
- ◆ **Sandwiches are needed for the Reach Out- Federal Way Shelters** during the weeks that our parish provides Meal Support. If you making sandwiches for this program you deliver them to the shelter yourself at 8:30 P.M. Learn guide - lines and dates and locations by contacting **Donna Cirincione 253-569-4597**

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

Like the sensible bridesmaids in today's parable, good stewards make sure that they, and whatever gifts are theirs to share, are ready to serve when the Master calls.

**ST. THERESA'S 50+ CLUB**

- ◇ **Sat. Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>** - "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. 18<sup>th</sup>, 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 movement for all people with mental or physical Disabilities their families and friends. We have fellowship, learning and prayer. Due to the Thanksgiving weekend we will have Faith and Light on Sun. Nov.20th 1:00 P.M. For more information call Mary Margaret 243- 927-5558