# St. Therese of the Child Jesus Catholic Church and School

1260 N.E. 132nd Ave., Portland, OR 97230 503-256-5850



May 31, 2020, Pentecost Sunday

## Sacraments of the Eucharist

### Daily Mass

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 10:00 am

You need to call the Office to sign up for Masses.

#### Reconciliation

By Appointment

#### **School Office Information**

Phone . . . . . . (503) 253-9400 Website . . . . www.stthereseschool.org

## Parish Office Information

Office Hours		
	9:00 am to 1:00 pm	
Address	. 1260 N.E. 132nd Ave.	
	Portland, OR 97230	
Phone	(503) 256-5850	
Website	www.stthereseor.org	

## Staff Members

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Pastor	Rev. Stephen Michael Geer
Business Manager	Mrs. Penny Montani
School Principal	Mrs. Joy Hunt
Faith Formation and Liturgy	Mrs. Stella Armstrong
Facilities Manager	Mr. Matthew Shelton
Receptionist	Mrs. Angie Barnett
Office Assistant	Ms. Jenn Kirkpatrick



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Call Shasta Hatter for more information or to volunteer.503-253-7566.

Life, from conception to all its stages, has never been more precious as now, and we should fight to keep it ever precious, for survival of our humanity. Pray, and act, to make abortion unthinkable!

#### **Prayer & Fasting**

Knowing that "with God, all things are possible," people of faith and conscience unite in 40 days of prayer and fasting. Christ told us some demons can only be driven out by prayer and fasting. The two go hand in hand. Prayer keeps us rooted in the fact that it is our desire to carry out God's will. Fasting is a sacrifice that helps us reach beyond our own limitations with God's help.

## Do you knit?

Many Pregnancy Resource Centers who support life always welcome donations of baby clothing like baby bonnets, boots and blankies. We have a Center in Gresham who would be happy to accept any baby clothing, knitted or not. Please visit their site at https://prcofportland.com/gresham-center/ or call 503-666-6527.



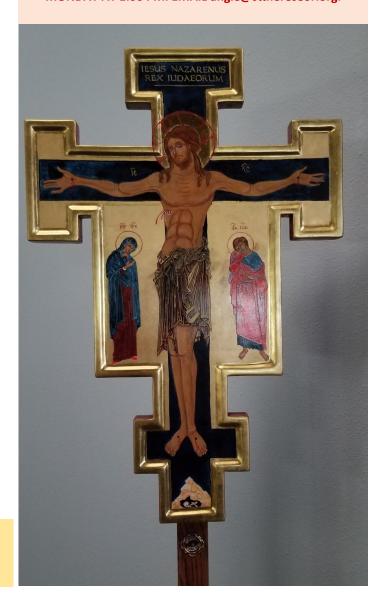


Fr. Jon Buffington quietly worked on this beautiful processional cross as a gift to St. Therese, a blessed addition to our Sanctuary. Thank you, Father!

## Please Pray For

Living: Vilma Anker, Antoinette Barker, Mary Basaraba, Maria Rosa Brekke, Bobbi Brown, Patty Burtner, Fr. Rob Bustamante, Arlene Cabal-lero, Marie Carter, Jenni Clark, Mary Cox, Melanie Davantes, Joanne Gargano, Julie Ho, William Keller, Gregorio Manalo, Arden Manning, Margie Nelson, Edna Orello, Liz Parker, Fred Pelzer, Jim and Ava Riopelle, Margaret Routledge, Frances Ryland, Rosa Santos, Karen Saso, Joanne Scabery, Vera Saxton, Anne Schmidt, Kiersten and Elsa Schneider, Thelma Striplin, Marcie Farlow Taylor, Joe Van Buren, Bernadine West, Fr. Dave Wilkins, Rose Zenge, Becky

WEEKLY DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ENTRIES IS EVERY MONDAY AT 1:00 PM. EMAIL angie@stthereseor.org.





## Definitely in Front!

I promise to take a group picture with all the Core Ministry Team present - we only have two in the photo on the left (can you guess who they are?) We would like to thank Barb Wilwers, Sue Anker, Anna Vu, Barb Miller, Hazel Philbrook and Titay Schommer who have stepped up to make the re-opening of our Masses possible. There are a number of details to remember and definitely a lot of team work involved to ensure that the safety system we have in place actually works. Parishioners do call to ask about what procedures we have in place, and the best answer is, yes we do, because it has been approved by our Core Team!



Dear St. Therese Parishioners:

Although we are not able to see you in person, we are keeping you close in prayer. The parish office is closed but parish employees are taking advantage of this time to do deep cleaning of the entire facility, other facility projects and we continue to work to meet our payments on time.

Please call us at the parish office 503-256-5850 if you have any questions. We would be very appreciative if you are able to continue your weekly donations. You may mail them or drop them off in the mail slot in the parish door. If you would like to donate on line, please visit our website at www.stthereseor.org and click on the donate tab. Thank you for your continued generous contributions to our parish and school. Sincerely,

Fr. Steve Geer



**Looking out for our** elderly and vulnerable



Please let Titay Schommer know if there is someone who needs help with grocery-shopping or simply needs someone to call and check in with them, to say hi and be an encourager. Kindly call the office to pass on the message to Titay.













## More Mass Updates

Our first Mass that was opened to (limited) assembly was held on Tuesday, May 26th at 10 am. 19 parishioners signed up for the Mass and 17 actually attended. It was a good slow start that gave our Mass Ministers plenty of time to carefully follow the safety procedures we have put in place. Please continue to let others know about our Mass schedule and encourage them to call the Parish Office to sign up for Masses. As we move forward we will explore other Mass schedules, particularly offering a Friday 5 pm Mass for those who are not able to attend the morning Mass because of work. Please let us know if this would be a good schedule to try! The dispensation from our Archbishop continues to apply, but for those who are ready to attend Mass, please be assured that the Mass Ministers are committed to doing their best to keep the Church environment safe and sanitized so we can all focus and be immersed in the Holy Eucharist.

## Safe Standards Updates

- Distancing even in things that we use for sanitizing we have our own containers for gloves that we use for sanitizing.
- ALL surfaces in the pew are wiped down thoroughly with a bleach-water solution - pretty potent that we actually appreciate more why we need to wear masks!
- The door keeper has a spray mist bottle filled with alcohol or liquid sanitizer for those who are attending Mass. There is a sanitizing spray as well for those who has to use the bathroom.
- 4. During Communion, we step out into the aisle only when it is our turn to receive communion, or if we are at least 10 ft. away from each other.

## Weekly Schedule of Masses and Intentions

After an absence of 2 ½ months, the weekly schedule of Masses and Intentions returns. In the interim period, all Masses prayed were for the benefit of the parishioners of St. Therese Parish with all scheduled intentions being deferred until public Masses resume, at least in part. That happy time has arrived and so please see the schedule below. You will note that on many days there are multiple intentions, which is perfectly legal, in order to catch-up as quickly as possible. For the time being there are NO Sunday Masses until such time as the allowable number of worshipers is increased to 50 or more or until the Pandemic has been conquered by a Vaccine. Accordingly, I will continue to pray the Sunday Mass for the intention of all St. Therese parishioners. Many blessings!

Ordinary Time							
Please note that both the school and parish offices remain closed due to the Pandemic							
Day	Date	Time	Observance	Mass Intention			
VIGIL	May 30	5:00 pm	Vigil of Pentecost	No service – COVID 19			
SUNDAY	May 3I	9:00 am	Pentecost	No service – COVID 19			
		II:30 am	Pentecost (Mass prayed privately by Fr. Steve: Missa pro populo)	No service – COVID 19			
Monday	June I		No service				
Tuesday	June 2	I0:00 am	Ferial weekday	Marquerite Leander + Richard B. Leander + Gene Brosterhous +			
Wednesday	June 3	10:00 am	St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs	Joanna Kong +  Moon Chun Lee +  Family of Francisco Whang			
Thursday	June 4	10:00 am	Ferial weekday	Paige & John Fred Dewey + Betty Susnjara +			
Friday	June 5	I0:00 am	St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr	Maureen Gillen +  Hedwig Wentila +  Willy H. Katigbak			
Saturday	June 6		No service				
VIGIL		5:00 pm	Vigil of the Sunday Eucharist	No service – COVID 19			
SUNDAY	June 7	9:00 am	The Most Holy Trinity	No service – COVID 19			
		II:30 am	The Most Holy Trinity (Mass prayed privately by Fr. Steve: Missa pro populo)	No service – COVID 19			