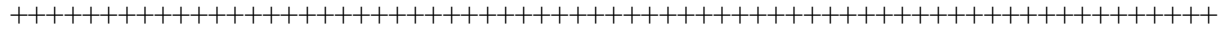


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December 23, 2018
 Fourth Sunday of Advent
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 Rev Vince Wirtner C.P.P.S. Parochial Vicar
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Office hours: M, T, TH 9-11AM; Wed 9-5pm; Fri 9-1pm (subject to change)



ST TERESA PARISH WELCOMES NEW FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS MOVING INTO THE AREA. Please register by calling the rectory office. Any parishioners who are leaving the area or changing an address or phone number should notify the office.

BAPTISMS: Baptism will be held on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Call the office in advance to schedule. Parents are obligated to attend preparation sessions before a child's baptism if they have not attended one in the past five years. This can be done before the birth of the child. Call the office to register for class.

COUNSELING SERVICES: 1-937-299-9005 Offered by Bob Skipper at Spiritual Center of Maria Stein

BULLETIN ARTICLES: due in writing by 9:00am on Thursday. You may email article to: stteresachurch@bright.net.

Mass Intentions

Monday, Dec 24th (Christmas Eve)
 10:00pm Mass-Randy Sovine, Royce & Regis Spindler
 Tuesday, Dec 25th (Christmas Day)
 10:30am Mass-All Souls
 Saturday, Dec 29th
 4:30pm Confessions/Reconciliation
 5:00pm Mass-Ben Kuether
 Sunday, Dec 30th
 10:30am Mass-Tom Avery



MASSES AT I.C. CHURCH, CELINA
 Saturdays at 6:30pm
 Sundays at 7:30am, 9:00am and 12 noon
 Monday thru Friday at 7:30am
 Reconciliation at 11:00am Saturdays

Vocation Cross

12/23-29 Sam Albright Family
 12/30-1/5 Edie Bader Family

Usher & Honor Families

12/24 10:00pm Chip Brogan Family
 12/25 10:30am Greg Puthoff Family
 Ron Gruss (U)
 12/29 5:00pm Nick Bruns Family
 12/30 10:30am Mike Roth Family
 Grant Minnich (U)



Church Cleaning

12/23-29 Anita Dicke Family 12/30-1/5 Rick Davis Family

Eucharistic Ministers

12/24 10:00pm Cheryl Nichols (H)
 Deb Roehm (C)
 Madison Roehm (C)
 12/25 10:30am Melissa Fent (H)
 Diane Fullenkamp (C)
 Marilyn Gruss (C)
 12/29 5:00pm Clete Schmidt (H)
 Irene Schmidt (C)
 Annette Spindler (C)
 12/30 10:30am Amy Moeller (H)
 Greg Puthoff (C)
 Mike Roth (C)

Mass Servers

12/24 10:00pm Kelsey Nichols
 Megan Nichols
 12/25 10:30am Emily Schaefer
 Jordyn Schaefer
 12/29 5:00pm Bryce Stearns
 Trevor Stearns
 12/30 10:30am Alivia Osborne
 Kyle Roth

Lectors

12/24 10:00pm Cheryl Nichols
 12/25 10:30am Jenifer Puthoff
 12/29 5:00pm Jeff Secaur
 12/30 10:30am Laura Roth

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Welcome to St Teresa Parish as we anticipate our celebration of the feast of Christmas. We pray that you may find warmth and welcome in our community of faith.

In this season of peace and joy, when the warmth of Christ glows in our hearts and our homes, we rejoice with the angels on high and give glory to God for the great gift of Jesus Christ, His Son, Our Lord. As we come together to celebrate His birth, may we remember the true meaning of this holy season.

In the midst of a world in turmoil and so many hearts yearning for inner peace, the only true source for peace and joy is still the Word Made Flesh – Our Infant Savior. Let us pray that this peace may reach the depths of our hearts and to all the ends of the earth.

Along with the Parish Staff, we wish you a blessed and safe holiday season. May the celebration of the birth of Our Lord be cause for great rejoicing for you and your families. Merry Christmas!
Fr. Ken & Fr. Vince

Christmas & New Year Mass

St. Teresa – Monday, Dec 24th – 10 PM; Tuesday Dec 25th 10:30 AM
 Monday, Dec 31 – 5:00 p.m.; Tuesday, Jan 1 – 10:30 a.m.

IC - Monday, Dec. 24 – 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. & 11:00 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 25 – 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
 Monday, Dec 31 -- 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Jan 1 -- 7:30 a.m. & 10 a.m.

Volunteer ministry schedules are available in the lobby.

St Teresa Monthly Money Madness 2019-20 tickets are available. This makes great Christmas gifts! Each month for one year, you have a chance to win up to \$200. There are 4 monthly prizes given away. 1st drawing is Sat March 9th. Cost is \$50/ticket, only 100 tickets sold. Contact Cheryl Nichols 419-363-2134, 567-644-1482 or nichols@bright.net

Holiday Hours - The parish office will be closed on Monday & Tuesday, December 24 & 25 for Christmas, also Monday and Tuesday, December 31 & January 1 for New Year holidays. Have a safe and Merry Christmas!

Thank you Hunter Gibson and Heidi Walls for staying after the Christmas Play last week to help decorate for the Christmas season! Your help was greatly appreciated!

Afternoon with Father Vince for JH students will be Sunday, Dec 30th at noon at Trisha & Bruce Berry home. All students invited to attend.

St Teresa Women Group **Baby Shower Christmas Party**, Sunday January 13th after 10:30am Mass (lunch at noon) in church basement. Invitations are in the lobby. If you haven't picked up your invitation, please do so today.

Vocation View: **Fourth Sunday of Advent** - Mary trusted that the Lord's words to her would be fulfilled. Step out in faith and God will be there to guide you. (Luke 1:39-45)
Christmas - God continues to send messengers to announce good news. Listen so you can tell the story to others. (Luke 2:15-20)

SUNDAY COLLECTION		12-16-18	
Envelopes (33)	\$ 772.00	Weekly Offering	\$1,269.00
Loose envelopes	\$ 497.00	Week Budgeted	\$1,400.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$1269.00	Over/Short	\$ -131.00
		YTD total Collection	\$35,300.90
		YTD total Budgeted	\$35,000.00
		Over/Short to date	\$ 300.90