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August 30, 2020
 Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
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 Website: www.stteresa-rockford.org

Office hours: M, T, TH 9-11am; Wed 9-5pm; Fri 9-1pm (subject to change)

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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 1st Sunday of the month after Sunday morning mass. 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 5:00pm on Tuesday. You may email article to: stteresachurch@bright.net.

Mass Intentions
 Wednesday, Sept 2nd
 7:00pm Mass-Veronica Kuether
Saturday evening mass during coronavirus restrictions only
 Saturday, Sept 5th
 4:30pm Mass-Our President and Our Country
 Sunday, Sept 6th
 10:00am Mass-People of the Parish



Eucharistic Ministers
 9/5 4:30pm Deb Roehm
 9/6 10:00am Ann Vian

No Eucharistic Ministers for wine until further notice

No Servers until further notice

Lectors
 9/5 4:30pm Kelsey Nichols
 9/6 10:00am Ann Vian

Ushers
No offertory procession until further notice
 9/5 4:30pm Greg Puthoff
 9/6 10:00am Barry Peel

Church Cleaning
 8/30-9/5 Anita Dicke Family
 9/6-12 Rick Davis Family

Sacristans
 9/2 7:00pm Diane Fullenkamp
 9/5 4:30pm Melissa Fent
 9/6 10:00am Julie Peel

CELINA CLUSTER MASSES
 Saturday 4:30pm ST 5pm IC, 7pm OLG
 Sunday 8am IC, 9am OLG, 10am ST, 11am IC
 Monday 7:30am IC, 8am OLG Comm Service
 Tuesday 7:30am IC, 8am OLG
 Wednesday 7:30am IC Comm Service
 7pm OLG, 7pm ST
 Thursday 7:30am IC
 Friday 8am OLG, 9am IC school mass
 Reconciliation Saturday 11am IC,
 6:15-6:45pm OLG
Wednesday 6:30pm ST

Vocation Cross
 8/30-9/5 Joel O'Neil Family
 9/6-12 Ron Obringer Family

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MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK:

Remember St Teresa in your will

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Kissing the Altar at Mass *Question: Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?*
Answer: Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix, statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar. These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the “General Instruction of the Roman Missal” — we read: “The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist” (no. 296). One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the “Book of the Gospels” after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the “living stone” (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the “household of faith” (see Galatians 6:10). To learn more, see the “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (no. 1382-1383). ©LPi

RCIA If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about becoming Catholic, our RCIA will begin (in some fashion) at IC in early September. Please see our web site: celina-ic.org/rcia/ to add your name to the list or contact Fr. Tim.

Religious Education Classes begin Sunday, Sept 13th at 8:45-9:45am (in person). Every effort will be made to protect our students and staff by the use of masks, social distancing, and proper sanitization. Registration forms were mailed and need to be returned to the parish office asap for ordering of supplies. We are still in need of a teacher at this time. Please contact Cheryl Nichols if this interest you.

Live stream services - Broadcast online at: www.celina-ic.org

Daily Scripture readings can be found at http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Did you know - A national study of youth and religion recently reported in their findings that parent examples is the biggest determining factor of whether children will grow up with a strong faith.

Parish Trivia - In 1929, the annual ordinary income was \$2,450.89 and the annual ordinary expense was \$1,867.97.

Vocation View: “O God, you are my God whom I seek.” As St Augustine recognized, our hearts are restless until they rest in the Lord; eliminate that which blocks your seeking for God. (Psalm 63:2)

SUNDAY COLLECTION		8-23-2020			
Envelopes/online (17)	\$ 1030.00	Weekly Offering	\$ 1120.00	YTD total Collection	\$ 8,051.00
Loose envelopes	\$ 90.00	Week Budgeted	\$ 1300.00	YTD total Budgeted	\$ 10,400.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 1120.00	Over/Short	\$ -180.00	Over/Short to date	\$ -2,349.00