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December 20, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Advent Rev Kenneth Schnipke, C.PP.S., Pastor Rev Timothy McFarland, C.PP.S. Parochial Vicar Deacon Charles Salway

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Office nours: M, 1, 1H 9-11am; wed 9-3pm; FH 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 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

Thursday, Dec 24th (Christmas Eve)
4:30pm Mass-Jo Zeik
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10:00pm Mass-Frank & Virginia Muhlenkamp Saturday, Dec 26th

4:30pm Mass-President & Our Country Sunday, Dec 27th

10:00am Mass-L/D Leroy Kuhn Family

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

12/20-26 James Schwieterman Family 12/27-1/2 Jeff Secaur Family

Sacristans

12/24 4:30pm and 12/27 10:00am Julie Peel 12/24 10:00pm and 12/26 4:30pm Melissa Fent



Eucharistic Ministers

12/24 4:30pm Lynn Hughes 12/24 10:00pm Amy Moeller 12/26 4:30pm Melissa Fent 12/27 10:00am Deacon Charlie No Eucharistic Ministers for wine until further notice

Mass Servers

12/24 4:30pm Dylan Hughes 12/24 10:00pm Natalie Moeller 12/26 4:30pm Austin Knapke 12/27 10:00am Leah Eichler

Lectors

12/24 4:30pm Marge Gehle 12/24 10:00pm Laura Roth 12/26 4:30pm Melissa Fent 12/27 10:00am Trisha Berry

Ushers

No offertory procession until further notice

12/24 4:30pm Doug Hughes 12/24 10:00pm Aaron Deitsch 12/26 4:30pm Michael Ford 12/27 10:00am Grant Minnich

Church Cleaning

12/20-26 Anita Dicke Family 12/27-1/2 Rick Davis Family

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Welcome to St Teresa/Immaculate Conception/Our Lady of Guadalupe 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, plagued by a pandemic 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 all the Parish (and School) 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. Tim

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

Thanks for giving! "We are conscious of the great generosity of the many benefactors who support the Retirement Fund for Religious each year," says a Catholic sister. "Support from the fund has been a tremendous blessing to our retired sisters." St Teresa Collected \$295.00 to Religious Retirement.

Advent Reconciliation Opportunities

• Saturdays 11 AM IC; Saturdays 6:15 PM OLG or by appointment

Christmas 2020 Mass Schedule

IC - Christmas Eve 3:00 PM; 4:30 PM & 10:00 PM; Christmas Day 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

St. Teresa – Christmas Eve – 4:30 PM & 10:00 PM

OLG – Christmas Eve 7:00 PM; Christmas Day 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Celina Cluster New Year's Mass Schedule

IC – New Year's Eve - 5:00 PM; New Year's Day - 9:00 AM

St. Teresa – New Year's Eve - 5:00 PM

OLG – New Year's Eve - 7:00 PM; New Year's Day - 9:00 AM

Ushers Just a reminder to count all those who attend masses, these numbers help us to plan for future masses at St Teresa, especially during these unusual times.

2021 Liturgical Calendars are available in the lobby. Thanks to Ketchum Ripley Funeral Home for the donation.

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK:

No meetings or activities this week—Merry Christmas to all! Stay safe and healthy!

Vocation View: Mary was called to be open to the extraordinary. What do you need to say "let it be" in response to God's call to you? Trust that the Lord is with you and will guide you always. (Luke 1:26-38)

| SUNDAY COLLECTION | 12-13-2 | 2020 | | | |
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| Envelopes/online (17) | \$ 700.00 | Weekly Offering | \$ 806.00 | YTD total Collection | \$ 25,358.55 |
| Loose envelopes | \$ 106.00 | Week Budgeted | \$ 1300.00 | YTD total Budgeted | \$ 31,200.00 |
| TOTAL RECEIVED | \$ 806.00 | Over/Short | \$ -494.00 | Over/Short to date | \$ -5841.45 |