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To visitors, those who have been away, and new members of Saint Therese Parish, we welcome you to our Parish Family. To those who attend regularly, we ap-

MASS SCHEDULES & PARISH CONTACTS

Weekend & Week-Day Masses

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 PM
 Sunday – 8:15 AM; 10:30 AM
 Monday thru Thursday — 8:30 AM
 HOLY DAY MASSES— 8:30 AM & NOON
 VIGIL—5PM

Confessions

Saturday – 4PM to 4:45PM

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 2025

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E OFFERING \$ 419.40

TOTAL: \$ 5148.40

Sincere thanks for your continued support of Saint Therese Parish.

Second Collection November 8th and 9th is for Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Mass Offerings

SATURDAY November 1 All Saints Day

5PM (+) Michael Dunn
req by Ray & Sue Nagy

SUNDAY November 2 All Souls Day

8:15AM (+) Sister Cleta Marie Reineberg
(100th B'day Rem) req by The Kline family

10:30 AM (+) Charles D. McGee Jr req by Bob McGee

MONDAY November 3

8 30AM (+) Arlene Mattavi (1st anniversary)
req by Dorothy Cramer

5PM Adoration

TUESDAY November 4

8:30AM (+) Christopher Pettee (13th anniversary)
req by the family

WEDNESDAY November 5

8:30AM St. Therese Parish Family

THURSDAY November 6

8:30AM (+) Mary & Ted Gillen req by their sister

FRIDAY November 7

NO MASS

SATURDAY November 8

5PM (+) Matthew Buldrini req by a friend

SUNDAY November 9

8:15AM St Therese Parish Family

10:30AM St Therese Parish Family

2026 Mass Offerings

The 2026 DAILY MASS RECORD CALENDAR is now available for parishioners to reserve a Mass for that special birthday or anniversary, a deceased loved one, or any dedication to be remembered. Please [call](tel:860.653.3371) or visit the Parish Office (860.653.3371) to reserve your date as soon as possible.



Please remember in your prayers

Rita L. Cassasa

Who departed this life on October 14, 2025

May they rest in peace and in the arms of our
Savior Lord Jesus Christ.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2 2025

Sunday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Rom 5:5-11 or
Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/
Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

When Father William asked me to write a column that was short and stress-free, I thought: it can be one or the other, not both. Short and pithy is the most difficult way to write because every word has to count. There's a quote often misattributed to Mark Twain. Though he never actually wrote this to a friend, the sentiment remains true: "Please forgive this long letter. I didn't have time to write a short one."

Done well, short is good. The Bible is full of one-liners that endure because they're wise and easy to remember. "Let there be light." "Am I my brother's keeper?" The Golden Rule boils down to three words: "Do unto others." The second half of that phrase—"as you would have them do unto you"—is usually left unsaid. "Do unto others," perhaps the best single piece of life advice, is short enough to fit on a bumper sticker, T-shirt or fortune cookie slip.

Advertisers do this well. When she was eight years old, I overheard my daughter singing to herself the TV jingle for Empire Carpet: "Five-eight-eight, two-three-hundred, Empire." I don't know my own kids' phone numbers by heart but I can order carpet from memory. Our kids now sing along to ads for GLP-1s ("Oh-oh-oh Ozempic") or dairy products ("Only Daisy Cottage Cheese will do..."). The other night we heard "1-877-Kars-for-Kids" and now, just by reading this, you are also hearing it play in your head. Sorry about that.

But such is the power of short, memorable writing. The Biblical phrases that have stuck in my head over the years include "Do not be afraid," "The meek shall inherit the earth" and "The last shall be first, and the first last." Among the countless pop lyrics I can instantly summon, there is also a line from a school Mass hymn: "Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers, that you do unto me." It's short and unforgettable. It could be an advertising tagline but it also happens to be a precept for life.



Prayer after receiving Holy Communion

I thank You, Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, for having been pleased, through no merit of mine, but of Your great mercy alone, to feed me, a sinner, and Your unworthy servant, with the precious Body and Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. I pray that this Holy Communion may not be for my judgment and condemnation, but for my pardon and salvation.

Let this Holy Communion be to me an armor of faith and a shield of good will, a cleansing of all vices, and a rooting out of all evil desires. May it increase love and patience, humility and obedience, and all virtues. May it be a firm defense against the evil designs of all my visible and invisible enemies, a perfect quieting of all the desires of soul and body.

May this Holy Communion bring about a perfect union with You, the one true God, and at last enable me to reach eternal bliss when You will call me. I pray that You bring me, a sinner, to the indescribable Feast where You, with Your Son and the Holy Spirit, are to Your saints true light, full blessedness, everlasting joy, and perfect happiness. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy Wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from Thee. From the malignant enemy, defend me. In the hour of my death, call me, And bid me to come to Thee. That with Thy saints, I may praise Thee. Forever and ever. Amen.

All Souls Day



**All Soul's Day Sunday,
November 2nd
6PM**

**This Sunday, November 2nd is the
Candlelight Prayer Service at St.
Bernard's Cemetery for our loved ones
at 6PM. Please join us and bring your
candles and let us pray together.**



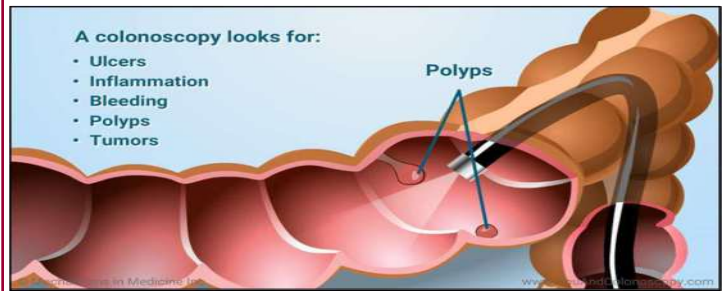
**Thank you to All Eucharistic Ministers and
Lectors who attended the meeting on Thursday,
October 30th. It was good to meet with you.**

Baby Bottle Drive

Two Hearts Pregnancy Center, Torrington CT
Please bring your Baby Bottles by November 16th.
Deposit returns in the containers in vestibule of the
Church or Parish office.



GI Series (Part 2): Understanding Colonoscopy



The current recommendations for colonoscopy are for individuals at average risk to start colon cancer screening at age 45. *Those at higher risk, such as a family history of colorectal cancer or a history of polyps or inflammatory bowel disease may need to begin screening earlier and/or have more frequent exams.*

A colonoscopy typically takes about 20 to 30 minutes and is performed by a gastroenterologist. There are several steps to the process as follows:

Preparation – Proper bowel preparation is essential for a successful colonoscopy. Patients are usually instructed to follow a clear liquid diet for 24-48 hours before the procedure and take a prescribed laxative to empty the colon. This ensures that the colon is "cleaned out" and the doctor has a clear view of the colon lining.

Sedation – Most patients receive (heavy!) sedation to help them take a nap (sleep!) and remain comfortable throughout the procedure. This type of sedation is administered by a trained anesthesia provider.

Examination – During the colonoscopy, a thin, flexible tube with a tiny camera at the end (colonoscope) is inserted into the rectum and gently guided through the colon. The camera transmits images to a screen, allowing the doctor to examine the colon lining and identify any abnormalities. If polyps or suspicious growths are found, they can be removed or biopsied for further analysis.

Recovery – After the procedure, you'll rest until the anesthesia wears off. Since sedation is used it is necessary to have someone drive you home and preferably remain with you throughout the day.

Colonoscopy is a safe and effective [and potentially life-saving!] procedure that allows for early detection and prompt treatment of colon cancer and other gastrointestinal issues. It's important to be proactive about maintaining colon health and preventing serious GI diseases by undergoing a colonoscopy screening as recommended.



St Therese Food Collection Sundays Thanksgiving Food Voucher Program:

November 8th & 9th—Second Collection is for Granby/ Hartland/ East Granby Thanksgiving Food Vouchers

The Holidays are just around the corner, and it's time once again to plan for the monetary collection to support the Granby Social Services Food Voucher Program, as well as food pantries in East Granby and Hartland.

Pantry

Saint Joseph Cathedral Thanksgiving Food Drive:

November 15th & 16th Food Collection for St. Joseph Cathedral Food

Please donate "**Cranberry Sauce, Turkey Gravy, and Stuffing**". The collection for these items will take place on the weekend of November 15th.



November 1st is the Feast of all Saints, both canonized saints and those in heaven known only to God are celebrated. There are many feast days of saints in November. We will be discussing the lives of many saints. We invite and heartily encourage all women of the parish to join us for this interesting discussion. We are meeting Saturday November 8th in the great hall at 10:00 AM. For any questions please contact Lyn Robitaille lrobi2114@sbcglobal.net

Parish Family Movie Night



"The Chosen"

Saturday, November 8, 2025

6PM in the Parish Center

We will have popcorn, soda & finger foods for your enjoyment.

**FAMILY
MOVIE
NIGHT**



St Therese Annual Veterans appreciation mass and luncheon is November 9th. The 10:30 mass is in honor of our US Veterans. There is a complimentary Chili and cornbread luncheon following mass for all veterans and their families. Please sign up at church entrances.

Faith Formation (Religious Education)

- **Confirmation Retreat** for 9th & 10th graders will be 11/2. Bus will leave Saint Therese at 10am. **Confirmation Service Hour Opportunities, if interested please contact DRE:**
- Our 10:30am Mass band accepts youth of all ages who are interested in singing, can play an instrument, or willing to set up the musical equipment for the band beforehand. (This can be one time service or ongoing).
- Youth Bible Study Leaders (10th grade and up!). Our monthly youth bible studies start in November, each one will have a youth leader to help facilitate and input their lived experience with life, sports, school, or culture as it relates to the incredible stories of our Lord. More youth bible study leaders are needed! (This can be one time service or ongoing). High schoolers who are interested in keeping our St. Therese Parish Facebook updated and lively. This would be an ongoing service. Those seriously interested will meet with Father first and given instruction on the type of content wanted on our socials.

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Therese Parish Advent Retreat
Saturday, December 13th at 10AM



Mark Your Calendars



Wednesday, November 12th at 6PM
Grade 6—12 Youth, Middle & High School students of St. Therese Parish are asked to please come to a meeting with Father William in the Great Hall. Parents are asked and encouraged to come as well to be a part of this important meeting. We look forward to meeting you.

Holy Hiking

In October we hiked at Dismal Brook Preserve. We had the perfect day, a great time, and once again, our younger hikers did a phenomenal job! November's hike (which will be more of a walk) will be on 11/29 @ 10 a.m. on the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail (bike path) starting at 118 Hartford Ave in East Granby. Hope to see you there!



GROWING WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE C



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



All the Faithful Departed • John 6:37-40



GOSPEL

When you ask Jesus to play with you, he will say, "Which game do you want to play first?" If you ask him to the movies, he will go with you. When extra people show up for his party, he will say, "Come on in, there's always room for one more." If you need to talk with him, he will say, "Sit down right now and tell me all about it." Jesus Christ will never turn you away.



PRAYER

Thanks for being my friend, Jesus.



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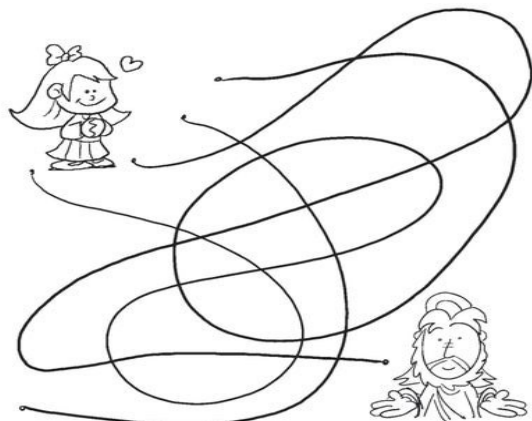
DRAW

Draw Jesus welcoming all sorts of people into heaven.



PUZZLE

Help her find her way to Jesus.



MISSION

Remember some people who have died. Say a prayer for them.



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