

PARISH OF ST. THERESA / OUR LADY OF THE WAYSIDE

The Nativity of Christmas
December 25, 2016

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Theresa

Monday thru Friday: 6:45 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Vigil: Saturday at 5:15 p.m.

Sunday: 7:45, 9:00*, 10:45 & 12:45 p.m.

Our Lady of the Wayside

Sunday Vigil: Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Holydays: As announced in the Bulletin
prior to the Holyday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Theresa: Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Our Lady of the Wayside: Saturday 4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

WEDDINGS

Please arrange six months in advance, prior to any other
wedding arrangements. Parish membership is required.

BAPTISMS

Please arrange three months before arrival.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new in the parish, we would appreciate it if you
register. **[Please PRINT clearly]**

Name _____

Address: _____

Phone No _____ Apt. No. _____

E-Mail _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Registration | <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Address |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Moving Out of Parish | <input type="checkbox"/> Want Envelopes |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Want Parish Pay |

Please cut out and drop in the collection or mail to the
Parish Rectory.

Mass Intentions

For period of December 24 to January 1, 2017

We remember the people of our past and present

Saturday, December 24 (The Vigil of Christmas)

8:00 A.M. The O'Connell Family

9:00 A.M. Candido Oramas (13th Anniversary)

4:00 P.M. People of the Parish

6:00 P.M. People of the Parish

10:00 P.M. People of the Parish

Our Lady of the Wayside

4:00 P.M. People of the Parish

5:30 P.M. People of the Parish

Sunday, December 25 (The Nativity of the Lord)

7:45 A.M. People of the Parish

9:00 A.M. People of the Parish

10:45 A.M. People of the Parish

12:45 P.M. People of the Parish

Our Lady of the Wayside

9:00 A.M. People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. People of the Parish

Monday, December 26 (St. Stephen)

6:45 A.M. Joseph Ahearn, Jr. (Living) Birthday
Blessings

9:00 A.M. Kristen Marie Engelhardt

Tuesday, December 27 (St. John)

6:45 A.M. Sylvia, Charles, Gladys Glad

9:00 A.M. Megan Ahearn (Living) Birthday Blessings

Wednesday, December 28 (The Holy Innocents)

6:45 A.M. People of the Parish

9:00 A.M. Elaine Petrillo

Thursday, December 29 (St. Thomas Becket)

6:45 A.M. Anthony Pasquale

9:00 A.M. Rose and Marie E. Cobuzzi

Friday, December 30 (The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph)

6:45 A.M. Mary and Joseph Sciascia

9:00 A.M. Rita Sydorowitz (Living)

Saturday, December 31 (St. Sylvester 1)

8:00 A.M. Joseph Kocent

9:00 A.M. Dominick and Carmela Ciancio

5:15 A.M. Janet Lindgren

Our Lady of the Wayside

5:00 A.M. William Hoffman

Sunday, January 1

7:45 A.M. People of the Parish

9:00 A.M. People of the Parish

10:45 A.M. People of the Parish

12:45 P.M. People of the Parish

Our Lady of the Wayside

9:00 A.M. People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. People of the Parish

St. Theresa Parish News



THE PARISH PRAYS FOR THE SICK

Kathy Bosco, Brian Cobuzzi, Christine Cobuzzi, Richard Cobuzzi, Sr., Elizabeth Cook, Sean Curran, Baby Ellie Grace Dennis, Marie DiNardo, Bekir Dzaferovic, Marie Guarino, Baby Hazel, Maureen Farrell Kenner, Andrée Lalak, Gino Lucadamo, Michael Montalto, Edward O'Brien, Colman O'Leary.

THE PARISH PRAYER FOR THE SICK – REFRESHED!

Beginning with the first bulletin in 2017 we will start a new listing. If you have a name you wish to remain on the list, please notify the Rectory Office. The current list is placed in our Prayer Intention Book so the prayers will continue as usual.

REST IN PEACE

Elvira DiBullo and Rev. Bernard McDonald. Our prayers are with their families and friends.



The Sanctuary Lamp will be burning this week for the intentions of the **Ahearn Family**.



The Bread and Wine will be offered this week in memory of **John Paul Mezzatesta**.

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD **(Christmas)**

First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

Isaiah rejoices that God is bringing his exiled people home to Jerusalem. He calls out to the people to be glad because God will restore Jerusalem.

Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6

Paul explains to the Hebrews that although God had spoken through the prophets, people could not always completely understand the message. Now God has spoken to us by sending Jesus, the son, a reflection of God's glory and forgiver of our sins.

Gospel: John 1:1-18

John describes how the Word came into the world in the form of Jesus. All those who accept Jesus become children of God by sharing in Jesus' love. No one has seen God, but through Jesus, God was revealed to us.

2016/2017 NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve

Saturday, December 31, 2016

St. Theresa's 5:15 p.m.
Our Lady of the Wayside – 5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day

Sunday, January 1, 2017

St. Theresa's – 7:45, 9:00 10:45 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.
Our Lady of the Wayside – 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE **CLOSURES**

In observance of the New Year's holiday, the Parish Office will be closed **Monday, January 2nd** and will be open on **Tuesday, January 3, 2017**.



BEEF STEW WEEKEND COLLECTION

Due to the New Year's holiday, the collection for Beef Stew Weekend has been **rescheduled** :

From: Sunday, January 1, 2017

To: Sunday, January 8, 2017

SOME SPECIAL GIFTS

Here are a few suggestions for special gifts:

- a **firm handshake** to a shaky soul,
- a **kind word** to a lonely person,
- a **warm smile** to the disheartened,
- a **sincere concern** for someone troubled,
- a **feeling of compassion** for the neglected,
- a **comforting thought** for the bereaved,
- a **respect for the dignity** of others,
- a **defense of the rights** of individuals,
- a **word of witness to help** a seeking soul,
- a **Merry Christmas to all**.

(Source Unknown)





THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the parishioners who brought cards, gifts and homemade treats for the priests and rectory staff to enjoy. They are greatly appreciated and have added to our Christmas cheer.

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

We, your priests and the parish staff wish you a very Merry and Blessed Christmas, and thank you for worshipping with us.

In the spirit of the Season we would ask you to be as generous as you can as you gift Our Savior here at St. Theresa and Our Lady of the Wayside. The Christmas offering is **the major collection of the year** for the Church and will remain open through the month of January 2017. **Thank you and Merry Christmas!**



CHRISTMAS QUOTES

Christmas is the perfect time to celebrate the love of God and family and to create memories that will last forever. Jesus is God's perfect, indescribable gift. The amazing thing is that not only are we able to receive this gift, but we are able to share it with others on Christmas and every other day of the year.

Joel Osteen

Christmas is the spirit of giving without a thought of getting. It is happiness because we see joy in people. It is forgetting self and finding time for others. It is discarding the meaningless and stressing the true values.

Thomas S. Monson



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Thank you to **Regina Leon** and "**Take 4**" for treating our parish to a

wonderful concert with a great repertoire of songs and hymns. If you missed it this year really plan on attending next year. Everyone left "*feeling a lot like Christmas*".

Religious Education News

MERRY CHRISTMAS

A **Merry Christmas** to all of our Religious Education families.

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR RECESS

There are no classes Sunday, December 25, 2016 through Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

Classes will resume Sunday, January 8, 2017.

FINANCE CORNER

December 2016

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| December 4, 2016 | \$9,769 | \$1,989 |
| December 8, 2016 | \$1,507 | |
| December 11, 2016 | \$8,621 | |
| December 18, 2016 | \$9,751 | \$1,925 |

We thank you for your continued generosity.

St. Theresa Parish encourages use of **Parish Pay**.

300 CLUB

Congratulations to **Mr. and Mrs. F. Hogan** our 300 Club winners for the week of December 18th. The lucky number **126** brought them **\$125**.

PARISH PAY

Our **automatic giving** program called **Parish Pay** will eliminate the envelopes you now receive so you do not have to search for that envelope every week as you rush out to Mass. Pick up one of the **information sheets at the doors of the Church** and consider contacting them by phone or online to set up an account.

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

Altar and Rosary Society

St. Theresa

Friday, December 30

Cindy Edelson

Our Lady of the Wayside

Month of January 2016

Connie Serafin