



Saint Therese Parish

120 Monroe Avenue • Cresskill, N.J. 07626

201-567-2528

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SERVED BY THE CARMELITES:

Fr. Samuel Citero, O. Carm., Pastor
Fr. Patrick McMahon, O. Carm., Parochial Vicar
Fr. Joseph McGowan, O. Carm., In Residence
Deacon Anthony Porcaro, T. O. Carm.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Evening at 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM
Weekdays: 8:30 AM
Holy Days: 7:00 PM Vigil; 8:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

RITE OF PENANCE:

Saturday at 4:00-4:30 p.m. Appointments for Confession at other times can be made by calling the parish office.

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon. - Fri. 9 AM to 5 PM
(Closed for lunch 12 to 1 PM)

PARISH STAFF:

Ms. Gina Marie Loiacono, Pastoral Associate
Mrs. Lois Pagnozzi, Director of Religious Education
Mr. Adrian Soltys, Director of Music & Liturgy
Mrs. Therese A. Higgins, Principal
Mrs. Eileen Walsh, Assistant to the Principal
Ms. Sharon Rabbitt, Business Manager

MARRIAGES:

Please contact the parish office one year in advance.

BAPTISMS:

Please contact the parish office shortly after your child is born for the necessary information concerning our schedule of baptisms and instructional sessions.

R.C.I.A. :

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:
Process of Catholic Formation.

PARISH OFFICE:

201-567-2528

**ACADEMY
OF ST. THERESE:**

201-568-4296

**CONFIRMATION &
YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:**

201-567-2528
gloiacono@stthereseccresskill.org

RELIGIOUS ED. OFFICE:

201-567-4781



- SAT. 5PM** O'Brien, Donnelly & Joyce Families, req. Connie Donnelly
5PM Anne Snee, req. Marianne Snee Nilsen
- SUN. 7:30** For the People of the Parish
9:30 Margaret Murphy, req. the Murphy Family
9:30 Frederick & Patricia Auer, req. Steven, Patty and Children
11:30 Sylvia Manzi, req. her Family
11:30 Maria Colannino, req. the DeSantis Family
- MON. 8:30** Raymond Crowe, req. his wife, Christina
8:30 George Braeske, req. Anita & Jim Robertson
- TUE. 8:30** Gary Mioli, req. Helen & Jerry Keegan
8:30 Edo Barzelatto, Love, Maryann
- WED. 8:30** Yola Pressler, req. her husband, Artie
8:30 Corazon, req. Maria
- THU. 9:00** Thanksgiving Mass for the People of the Parish
- FRI. 8:30** Anthony Cognata & Anthony Barbieri, req. Anthony and Rosina Barbieri
8:30 Madeline Morrissey, req. Desmond Morrissey
- SAT. 5PM** Catherine Ridella, req. Carolyn Schultz
5PM Thomas Clancy, req. his Family
- SUN. 7:30** For the People of the Parish
9:30 Mike Paternoster, req. Fran & Family
9:30 Edward & Kathleen Clark, req. the Clark Family
11:30 Josemaria O. Ricalde, req. the Ricalde Family
11:30 Frank Coleman, req. his wife, Rose & Family

THE SACRAMENTAL BREAD and WINE offered at the Masses this week were donated in Loving Memory of **Thomas C. Ragukonis**, requested by Mike Drumgoole.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP is lit at all the Masses this week in Loving Memory of **George Brown, Sr.**, requested by the Brown Family

Weekly Collection

Our week's goal is: \$15,300.00

This week's collection:	Regular	\$11,018.00
	Assessment	\$ 440.00
	Total:	\$11,458.00

Catholic Campaign for Human Development: \$1,557.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Pray for ... those among us who are sick and in need of our prayers:

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| CARMELO ABBRUZZESE | CHRIS LORA |
| LEONARD ABBRUZZESE | JOE MARCHESE |
| SARKIS ARSLANIAN | ANNE MARSIGLIANO |
| VIRGINIA BARBAGALLO | TIMMY MC DONNELL |
| MARYANN BARZELATTO | FR. PAT MC MAHON |
| EDWARD BOURKE | STEPHANIE MC NAMARA |
| CALVIN BROKAW | MICHAEL |
| DEIDRE BYRNE | ANN MARIE MEEHAN |
| CHARLES CASTLE | MICHELLE MULLEN |
| MR. SAM CITERO | MARY ANN OATES |
| SEAN GONCI | MICHELLE PREOLO |
| DIANE CUNNINGHAM | MARIE POCHINI |
| JACK CURTIN | BOB PRINCE, JR. & SR. |
| VIVIAN D'ERASMO | JESSIE RACYN |
| DOLORES DE SANTI | RINA ROMANELLI |
| JAMES DE STENO | RALPH ROTUNDA |
| COSTANTINO FAUSTINI | WENDY RUGGIERO |
| JOAN FLEMING | BEVERLY SCHWAB |
| JOHN FLYNN | JOANN SCIMANICO |
| FREDERICK FRONJIAN | ELAINE SEMAN |
| KYLE GERAN | CECILE SICARI |
| PAT GERAN | RICHARD SOTELL |
| DAN HAGGERTY | ERIKA SPADACCINI |
| DOROTHY JEZSIK | DONNA SPINA |
| BABY KAYLA | KATHLEEN TENNANT |
| RON KAEMPFE | RONALD THOMAS |
| ANDREW KOVACH | NORMAN TRASS |
| NORMAN KUBRIN | FRANK UVENIO |
| LENORE LIEBESKIND | ISABEL VITELLARO |
| BILL LEE | KATHY WHELAN |
| MICHAEL LOIACONO | DOT WILLIAMS |

For our loved ones who have died, especially, **William Biondi and Gloria Thomas**, that they may be at peace with God.

Minister Schedule for November 28-29

Eucharistic Ministers:

- 5:00 PM.....K. Mays, C. McConville, CJ Schutte
 R. Schutte, Z. Schutte, E. Van Steenbergh
- 7:30 AM.....R. Keim, R. Reinhardt
 R. Agosta, M. Clark
- 9:30 AM.....K. Passano, S. Petriello, K. Ardizzone
 S. Braeske, E. Cantos, E. Capone
- 11:30 AM.....M. Duffy, J. Early, A. Falla
 T. Glennon, M. Halabi, M. Hudick

Lectors:

- 5:00 PM.....Mary Sullivan, Kevin Leyden
 7:30 AM.....Nicholas Tauro
 9:30 AM.....Fran Mladjenovic, Jim Leclercq
 11:30AM.....Brendan Buchmelter, Regina Puglisi

Servers:

- 5:00 PM.....Isabella Vitolo, Ken Soule
 9:30 AM.....Zeida Ben-Fredj, Katherine Espiritu
 11:30 AM.....Christy Gately, Rebecca Quigley

Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. In so doing we celebrate the majesty and splendor of the Son of God as victor over sin and death. Jesus as King of the Universe points to the reality of God's mercy, compassion and justice being at the heart of who we are as a people and as a church. It calls us all to recognize our birthright as God's children of being participants in the ongoing creation of God's Kingdom.

With this feast the church year enters its final week of the liturgical year. We begin a new liturgical year as the Season of Advent begins. It is a year of Mercy, a year of reflection and action upon the gift of God's mercy in our lives and our call to be merciful to others in our lives and in our world.

On Thursday we celebrate Thanksgiving. It is a time for all of us to reflect on the many blessings God has bestowed upon us. I hope that all of you have the opportunity to spend time during this week with loved ones. While eating is a big part of this celebration it is my hope that each of you are filled not only with turkey and pumpkin pie but also with the knowledge of God's love and my love and gratitude to all of you for your goodness, generosity, patience and kindness through out the year. Please join us for mass on Thursday morning at 9:00 am.

With Love,
Fr. Sam

Help Needed

Our Lady of the Angels Convent
Franciscan Sisters, Tenafly, NJ
Full-time Assistant Administrator
needed for Our Lady of Angels Convent/Infirmary.
Background in Health Care required.
Contact Sister Pat Coyle or Sister Marian Bandille at
201-568-2171.



Thanksgiving Day Mass

Join us in giving thanks to God for all our blessings
Thursday November 26th
9:00 A.M.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our yearly Thanksgiving food drive will be held in St. Therese School Gym on **Monday, November 23rd from 6pm until 7pm**. Just as in the past years, we are requesting donations of **frozen** turkeys, turkey breast, whole chickens, Cornish hens, canned hams, fresh and canned vegetables and fruits, desserts, bread, drinks and other products to be served at Thanksgiving Dinner.

The food collected will be distributed locally, at Our Lady of Sorrows in Jersey City and other outreach organizations in New Jersey. We ask that you once again open your hearts to those less fortunate as the number of needy families continues to grow.

We will be making over 60 baskets for our sister parish in Jersey City and several more for families in our local area. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please send it to:

St. Therese Church - Food Drive
120 Monroe Avenue
Cresskill, New Jersey 07626

Social Concerns News

Would you be interested in being part of a Hospitality Committee? please contact Regina:
rpuglisi@stthereseccresskill.org or 551.404.7229

Family Promise of Bergen County is a non-profit organization that tends to the ever growing needs of our hungry and homeless neighbors. We participate with them by cooking/baking/serving in Hackensack several times throughout the year. We also help at the overnight shelter in Demarest in cooperation with the United Methodist Church. If you are interested in participating in either of these ministries, please contact Regina Puglisi.
rpuglisi@stthereseccresskill.org or 551.404.7229

Thank you for your contributions to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Your generous gifts will help CCHD end poverty in the US through better education, improved housing, and economic development.

Christmas is Coming!

Our annual Christmas outreach to the children of our sister Parish, Our Lady of Sorrows in Jersey City, and to local adults is about to begin. The names of those in need of your Christmas generosity will be distributed at the rear entrance to Church after ALL Masses on the weekends of November 28/29 and December 5/6. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please send it to the Parish Office....200 Jefferson Ave, Cresskill, N.J. 07626 and mark the envelope "Christmas Outreach." The bulletin next weekend will have more information.

Christmas Fair

St. Francis Gift Shop - Knickerbocker Rd. - Tenafly
 Opens Friday, Nov. 27th ~ Ends Thursday, Dec. 24th
 Weekends only - 10:00 am to 4:pm
 All Kinds of Everything ... For all Kinds of Shoppers

Women's Bible Sharing Christmas Brunch

Thursday, December 3rd
 9:00 am ~ Parish Center

All are welcome.
 Please come, bring a friend, and a dish to share.

Childrens' Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

What is CLOW?

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) will soon be offered here at St. Therese as a special part of the **9:30 am Sunday Liturgy**. It will be held weekly for children in **Kindergarten through 5th grade** who are invited to hear the Word of God in a manner especially prepared for children. Prior to the Scripture readings, the children will be called forth by the priest. Father will bless them, and they will then be led in procession to the Parish Center by an adult CLOW leader. We welcome Mrs. Shari Minetti as our new CLOW coordinator, along with Mr. & Mrs. Brummond. Children's Liturgy of the Word begins with a prayer, followed by readings and psalms/responses from the Children's Lectionary and a reflection on the Word. The children will then return to the main church and their families after the Prayers of the Faithful.

CLOW is a wonderful, rewarding experience for both the children and the leaders. The only requirement is your desire to answer God's calling to share your faith with our young people!

Adults or Teens interested in assisting with this new ministry, please contact **Gina Marie** at: gloiacono@stthereseccresskill.org



Annual Academy of St. Therese Christmas Wreath Fundraiser

Beautiful fresh wreaths, grave blankets and cross covers provided by
 Cleatus Farms, Northvale

Our natural wreaths are approximately 22 inch diameter, fragrant, and fully decorated with red bows, pinecones and red berries: \$20 per wreath

Grave blanket or grave cross covers fully decorated with red bows, pinecones and red berries: \$30 per grave blanket or grave cross covers

Mixed roping – approximately 25 ft. in length will be available: \$30 per rope

We will be outside of all Masses on the first and second weekend of Advent

**December 5 and 6
 November 28 and 29**

We will have a large stock of items available for immediate purchase (cash or check payable to Academy of St. Therese).

If you would like to place your order ahead of time and have it ready for pick-up, please contact Patty Polise at 551-999-0709 or pattypm123@gmail.com.

St. Therese Parish
presents....

A Christmas Pageant
“The Reason”



ALL Children in grades K - 7th are welcome to participate!

Sign-ups and a first rehearsal for the pageant will be this

Monday, November 23rd
6:00pm-7:00pm in the Church

Come and be a part of a wonderful Christmas tradition as the players and singers recreate the Blessed events of that First Christmas.

Small speaking and non-speaking parts are available.

There is something for everyone!

The **Christmas Pageant** itself will be held:

Sunday, December 13th at 3:00pm

Children's Catholic Corner



Jesus said, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews."

Jesus, the King, was born to testify to the truth. He said, "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."



Directions: Put an X on every word that does not belong in God's Kingdom.

Directions: Match the word to the picture that sounds the same, but the spelling and the meaning are something different.

LOVE

JESUS

MONEY

SAINTS

FIGHTING

PRAYER

ANGELS

HAPPINESS

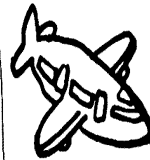
PEACE

HATRED



PLAIN
BAWL

STARE



BUY BARE