

CHURCH OF SAINT THERESA

NORTH READING, MASSACHUSETTS

April 4, 2021



This Easter
May God bless you
Deep down
In the recesses of your soul
Created by God for God
Which yearns to dance
And laugh
And sing
In the bursting light
Of the risen Lord.

—written by Bishop Mark O'Connell

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Daily Mass: 9:00 am

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm | *Sunday* 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is brought to the sick and shut-in. Please call the office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 2-3 pm

On warm days, go to the rear parking lot behind the rectory. On cool days, enter the east side door to the foyer of the parish center. Or, by appointment by calling the office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact Mary Ann Thomas at mthomas@sttheresanreading.org.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should contact the rectory at least six months in advance.

Prayer Tree: prayertree@sttheresanreading.org

Protection of Children Policies and Procedures

may be obtained by going to

http://www.bostoncatholic.org/uploadedFiles/BostonCatholicorg/Offices_And_Services/Offices/Sub_Pages/Protecting_Children/ChildProtectionPolicyforWebsiteRevOct2016.pdf

Bulletin Announcement submissions due on Friday by noon of the prior week. Email: bulletin@sttheresanreading.org

Parish Pastoral Council Elected Members: Bill Barringer, Bill Berry, Robert Colombo, Phil Kumph, Kathi Lee, Pat Lee, Denise Miedico, Clayton Morrissey, Nick Palmitesta, Carrie Sepke, Suzanne Ward

Finance Council Members: Mike Gonthier, Don Henchey, Rich Lasdin, Pat Lee, Matt Lundy, John Sannella, Dcn Tam Tran, Rose Tramontozzi, Carmella Zarrella

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2021

EASTER SUNDAY April 4	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 (42) or Mk 16:1-7 (41) or, at an afternoon/evening Mass, Lk 24:13-35
MONDAY April 5	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
TUESDAY April 6	Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
WEDNESDAY April 7	Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
THURSDAY April 8	Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
FRIDAY April 9	Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
SATURDAY April 10	Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15
SUNDAY April 11	Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

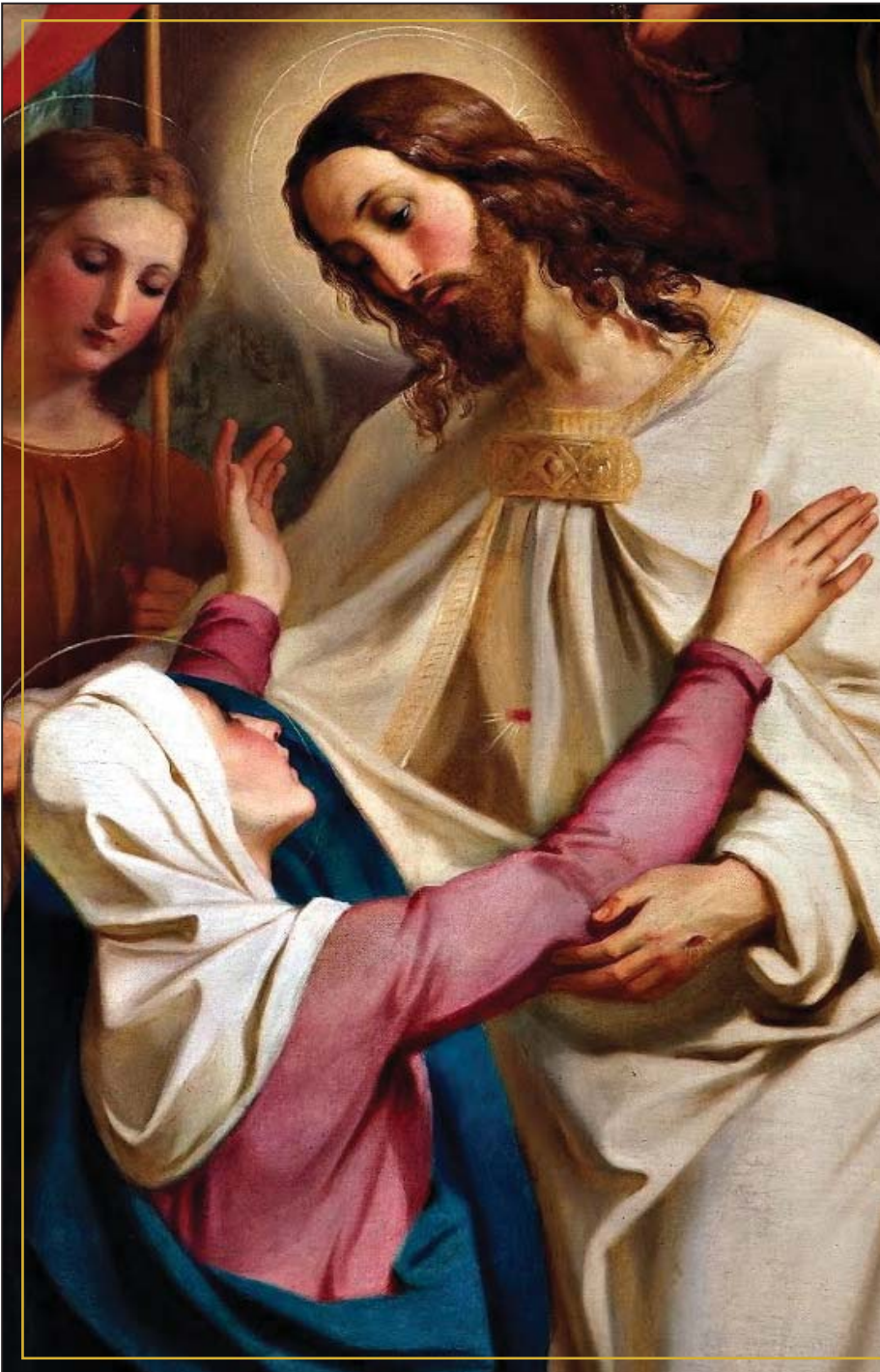


Wishing you and
your family a
blessed and happy
Easter!

From Bishop Mark, Father Tom,
and staff



*From
the
Pastor*



Mary's Easter

Perhaps she searched the newborn babe
To see His Glory shine
Perhaps she told the temple scribes
This was not yet His time
Perhaps at Cana she nudged too much-
But water became wine.

She stood aback, observed it all
When He taught and when He healed
She worried some when crowds did throng
But no more could she shield
She saw Him ride into Jerusalem
And knew His fate was sealed.

At His feet before the cross
She surely searched His face
His Glory only she could know
Where others saw disgrace
But she stood firm and gazed at Him
Of doubt there was no trace.

But on this morn while others gasped
She knows the time had come
His Glory shines unhindered now
His mortal body gone
God's Son you are; have always been
As Easter now has dawned.

- written by Bishop Mark O'Connell



Our senior priests living at Regina Cleri always welcome the chance to pray for our benefactors. Visit clergytrust.org/our-mission/submit-prayer-intentions if you would like your intentions to be remembered in their special prayers.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 3

- 9:00 Morning Prayer
- 7:30 Easter Vigil—For the living and deceased members of Saint Theresa Parish

SUNDAY, April 4

- 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00
For the Living and deceased members of Saint Theresa Parish

MONDAY, April 5

- 9:00 Bob Russo 1st Anniversary

TUESDAY, April 6

- 9:00 Mary For Healing

WEDNESDAY, April 7

- 9:00 John and Geraldine Regan Living Intention

THURSDAY, April 8

- 9:00 Intention of the Celebrant

FRIDAY, April 9

- 9:00 Joseph A. Freedman 24th Anniversary

SATURDAY, April 10

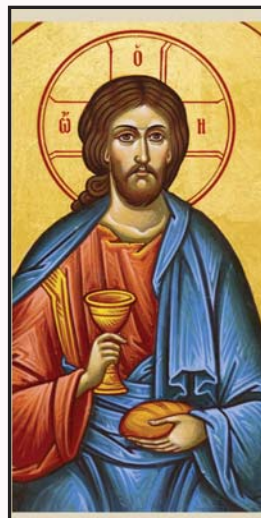
- 9:00 No mass scheduled because of Confirmation
- 4:00 Donald and Agnes Kieran Memorial

SUNDAY, April 11

- 7:00 Mass for the People of Saint Theresa
- 9:00 Frank & Mary Stanuchenski
76th Wedding Anniversary
- 11:00 Pat Lee Sr. Memorial
- 11:00 Richard and Trudy D'Entremont Memorial
- 11:00 Edward P, Edward R,
and Eleanor Molligi Devine Memorial



Please pray for the repose of the souls of all our deceased relatives, friends, and parishioners of St. Theresa Parish



Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.



Confession is available every Saturday

When it is cold, rainy, or snowing outside, we will bring our weekly Confessions indoors.

When the weather becomes mild and sunnier, look for Confession in the drive behind the rectory. If you don't see Father Tom or Bishop Mark sitting outside behind the rectory, it means Confession is in the hall. There will be a sign directing you. The side door to the foyer of the hall (the door on the big parking lot side) will be open. Please come in and wait in the foyer for your turn.

Please know, you can always call and make an appointment for Confession with either Fr. Reilly or Bishop Mark.

About the cover and Bishop Mark's column

The Easter Blessing on the cover, and the poem, "Mary's Easter," were both written by Bishop Mark for the Clergy Trust Campaign. Bishop Mark, who is also a Clergy Trust Co-Chair, wrote the poem especially for Clergy Trust supporters. We are grateful to be able to share the blessing and poem with you for Easter. "Mary's Easter" has been made into a downloadable bookmark for donors. See page 12 of the bulletin for more information on the Clergy Trust and how you can support our retired priests.



"The devotion to the Eucharist is the most noble because it has God as its object; it is the most profitable for salvation, because It gives us the Author of Grace; it is the sweetest, because the Lord is Sweetness Itself,"

- St. Pius X



Lazarus House Challenge: This community-focused and fun Challenge will bring many together to raise critical funds to support their soup kitchen and food pantry, relieving the stress and uncertainty for families who continue to struggle to put food on the table for their families. Visit their website for more information.



Divine Mercy Sunday
April 11
2:30-4:00 PM

Join us for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church. Confessions will be in the back parking from 2-3 PM, weather permitting. Otherwise, Confessions will be in the hall. Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be at 3 PM. Fr. Reilly will give a short talk on Divine Mercy at 3:30 PM.

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

**Women in the Bible:
 Facing Crises**

April 21st at 7:00 PM

What can we learn from various women in the Bible about dealing with crises? This presentation will reflect on the lives of four women from both the Old and the New Testament as they reflect, pray, and act courageously. We will examine their lives for insights for our own.



Hosted at St. Theresa Parish in North Reading, MA

This event is open to the public and will also be livestreamed on the parish website: www.sttheresanreading.org.

Registration is not required.



Presented by
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 Director of the Master or Arts in Ministry Program
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Legion of Mary

Are we our brothers and sister's keepers. How may we help others to stay of the pathway of the Lord?

Please pray for the safety of our troops and all who bear the scars of battle including:

- Derek Atwood; James Linnehan; Gregory Meninger; John Bellamacina; Matthew Snodgrass; Jim O'Neil; Capt. Dan Petronzio; Matthew Hines; Paul Guerra; Spc. Gustavo Nogueira; SSgt. Matthew Rush; Sgt. Robert Rush; Pvt. Ray Brown; Michael Hart; Erik Ruhmann; Jody Leardi; Major Christopher Distaso; PFC Brian MacDonald; Ryan Greaves; Robert C. Monk; Spec. James McDonald; Sgt. Howard Redmond; SPC Keith Butler; PFC Marcial Bonés; Bob Cronin; PO 3rd William Payne; Cody Fisher; Nicholas Paicos; Brittany Murphy; Alexander Bailey; Shawn Miller; Michael O'Brien; Nicholas Bamberg; Capt. Amanda Imperato; Pvt. Christian Hernandez; LS2 Courtney Chambers; Warren Donald Fitzpatrick; Brian John Fitzpatrick; Nicholas Kotula, LCpl; Cpl Dominic Hose; USMC; LCpl Koral Hose; Hannah Hughes, USN; GSM2 Melissa Lasdin; Lt. Eric Thomas; A1C Kenneth A. Hudson; John DiPasquale; Cpl Colin Dyer, USMC; LCPL "AJ" Leno; Andrew Shue; Nicholas White, SPC; LCPL Anthony Peluso, USMC; SSGT Timothy Gonsalves, Navy Civilian Jessica Doty

Please contact the parish office to add the name of your loved one currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.

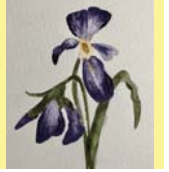
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Let us pray for those they remembered.

<i>Everett & Carolyn Abbott</i>	<i>Henry & Pearl Burke</i>	<i>James & Viola Cooper</i>
<i>Paula Abbott</i>	<i>Milo & Catherine Burke</i>	<i>Orazio & Livia Cornelio</i>
<i>Rita Adams</i>	<i>Sean Burke</i>	<i>Bob & Delanne Corvino</i>
<i>Alford Family</i>	<i>Nancy Burke</i>	<i>Anastasia Cosentino</i>
<i>All God's Children Who Have Died</i>	<i>David T. Butler</i>	<i>Philip Cosentino</i>
<i>All Our Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus</i>	<i>Alfred Callhan</i>	<i>Joan Cotta</i>
<i>All the Most Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>	<i>Joanne Callhan</i>	<i>Robert Cotta</i>
<i>Allin Family</i>	<i>Frank & Ida Cambareri</i>	<i>John & Elizabeth Courtemanche</i>
<i>Ceil Alves</i>	<i>Gregory Capano</i>	<i>Daniel Covell</i>
<i>Amirault Family</i>	<i>Beloved deceased members of the Cappuccio Family</i>	<i>Edwin & Ethel Covell</i>
<i>Sharon Anderson</i>	<i>Carr Family</i>	<i>Mechele Cronin</i>
<i>Alexander & Alice Annand</i>	<i>Gloria & Edward Carr</i>	<i>Viola & Henry Crosby</i>
<i>Ron Annand</i>	<i>Carregal Family</i>	<i>Deceased Members of the Cullen Family</i>
<i>Christine & Antonio Arcari</i>	<i>Caruso Family</i>	<i>Dalton Family</i>
<i>Artesani Family</i>	<i>John & Edith Casey</i>	<i>D'Entremont Family</i>
<i>Geronimo Atinaja</i>	<i>Castaline Family</i>	<i>Joseph G. Dattero</i>
<i>Marcelina V. Atinaja</i>	<i>Antonio Caturello</i>	<i>Davis Family</i>
<i>Deacon Alfred & Marjorie Balestracci</i>	<i>Maria Caturello</i>	<i>Davis Family</i>
<i>Joseph C. Bartley</i>	<i>Norma Caturello</i>	<i>Concetta Decicco</i>
<i>Bartley Family</i>	<i>Anthony Celata</i>	<i>DeFrancesco Family</i>
<i>Bees Family</i>	<i>Marie Celata</i>	<i>Deceased Members of the DeGilorma Family</i>
<i>Benson Family</i>	<i>Lilia & Christopher Cerullo</i>	<i>Ruth DeVisco</i>
<i>E. Paul & Olga Bertoli</i>	<i>Lois & Frank Chochrek</i>	<i>John DeMarco</i>
<i>James & Marie Bezdek</i>	<i>Chopyak Family</i>	<i>Vincenzo & Mary DeMasi</i>
<i>Binda Family</i>	<i>Richard Christopher</i>	<i>Raymond & Dolly DeRosa</i>
<i>Betty Black</i>	<i>Arthur & Rose Ciccia</i>	<i>DeSimone Family</i>
<i>Joe Boldger</i>	<i>Maria Ciccia</i>	<i>Edward P, Edward R, and Eleanor Molligi Devine</i>
<i>Lorraine Bonk</i>	<i>Frank & Celeste Cionti</i>	<i>Devine Family</i>
<i>Mary Bonavera</i>	<i>Anthony Cirillo</i>	<i>Patricia Devine Sewell</i>
<i>Carol Borrelli</i>	<i>Lena Cirillo</i>	<i>Joseph & Gina DiCenso</i>
<i>Botzko Family</i>	<i>Louis Cirillo</i>	<i>Saverio & Rubina DiCenso</i>
<i>George & Irene Bourne</i>	<i>Donal A. Coleman</i>	<i>Anthony & Margaret DiCocco</i>
<i>Kathleen & Joe Bresnahan</i>	<i>James P. & Jean Condon</i>	<i>Michael DiGiantommaso</i>
<i>Rita & Nelson Burbank</i>	<i>John Conway</i>	
<i>Gayle Burke</i>		

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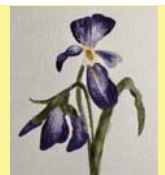
<i>DiPasquale Family</i>	<i>Judith Donohoe</i>	<i>For the aborted children - You are not forgotten</i>
<i>John S. & Sarah C. DiPerna</i>	<i>Elise Donovan</i>	<i>Joseph Freedman</i>
<i>Al & Peg DiSalvo</i>	<i>Al & Peg DiSalvo</i>	<i>James Freedman</i>
<i>Carmine DiTirro</i>	<i>Carmine DiTirro</i>	<i>James J. Freedman</i>
<i>Pasquale & Giovanna DiTirro</i>	<i>Pasquale & Giovanna DiTirro</i>	<i>Phillip & Jennie Frezza</i>
<i>Barbara Doherty</i>	<i>Barbara Doherty</i>	<i>Sam and Tina Fruciano</i>
<i>Daniel Doherty</i>	<i>Daniel Doherty</i>	<i>Dora Gage</i>
<i>Diana Doherty</i>	<i>Diana Doherty</i>	<i>Kathy Gallagher</i>
<i>Thomas & Matilda Doherty</i>	<i>Thomas & Matilda Doherty</i>	<i>In loving memory of the Gallotto's & Dagher's who watch over us</i>
<i>William & Frances Doherty</i>	<i>William & Frances Doherty</i>	<i>Warren Gannon</i>
<i>Dr. & Mrs. William F. Dolley</i>	<i>Dr. & Mrs. William F. Dolley</i>	<i>Gaspar Family</i>
<i>Judith Donohoe</i>	<i>Judith Donohoe</i>	<i>Peter Gates</i>
<i>Elise Donovan</i>	<i>Elise Donovan</i>	<i>Anna & Donato Gattineri</i>
<i>Joseph R. Duffy</i>	<i>Joseph R. Duffy</i>	<i>Deceased members of the Gedaminsky Family</i>
<i>Al & Peg DiSalvo</i>	<i>Ruth T. Duffy</i>	<i>Joseph, Theresa, Carl, and Philip Germino</i>
<i>Carmine DiTirro</i>	<i>Alfred & Frances Dugas</i>	<i>Mr. & Mrs. Gleason</i>
<i>Pasquale & Giovanna DiTirro</i>	<i>Peg Duggan</i>	<i>Carl Gonnam</i>
<i>Barbara Doherty</i>	<i>James Escott</i>	<i>Elizabeth Gonnam</i>
<i>Daniel Doherty</i>	<i>Domenic & Rose Esposito</i>	<i>Philip Gonnam</i>
<i>Diana Doherty</i>	<i>John T. Exum</i>	<i>Theresa Gonnam</i>
<i>Thomas & Matilda Doherty</i>	<i>Milton O. Exum</i>	<i>Howard Goodwin</i>
<i>William & Frances Doherty</i>	<i>Mr. and Mrs. Milton L. Exum</i>	<i>Margaret Goodwin</i>
<i>Dr. & Mrs. William F. Dolley</i>	<i>Silverio L. Faller</i>	<i>Greeley Family</i>
<i>Judith Donohoe</i>	<i>Faulkingham Family</i>	<i>Mr. and Mrs. Peter Grillo</i>
<i>Elise Donovan</i>	<i>Ken Fazio</i>	<i>Thomas & Marion Guy</i>
<i>Joseph R. Duffy</i>	<i>V. Richard and Helen Fazio</i>	<i>Patricia A. Haggerty</i>
<i>Al & Peg DiSalvo</i>	<i>Deceased Members of the Finnegan Family</i>	<i>Dino & Linda Hall</i>
<i>Carmine DiTirro</i>	<i>E. Michael Fitzgerald</i>	<i>Anne Hallett</i>
<i>Pasquale & Giovanna DiTirro</i>	<i>Pat & Olive Fitzgerald</i>	<i>George Hallett</i>
<i>Barbara Doherty</i>	<i>Mary & James Fleming</i>	<i>George & Margaret Hallett</i>
<i>Daniel Doherty</i>	<i>Jack & Jime Fleming</i>	<i>C. Leo & Arlene Hamel</i>
<i>Diana Doherty</i>	<i>Mickle Fleming</i>	<i>Charles Hamiltion</i>
<i>Thomas & Matilda Doherty</i>	<i>Julie Fleming</i>	<i>Charlie & Shirley Hamilton</i>
<i>William & Frances Doherty</i>	<i>Foglia Family</i>	<i>Paul Hardy</i>
<i>Dr. & Mrs. William F. Dolley</i>	<i>Foley Family</i>	



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<i>Robert J. Hardy, Sr.</i>	<i>Pauline M. Kozar</i>	<i>Dean Martindale</i>
<i>Nancy D. Harrington</i>	<i>Deceased Members of the Krainski Family</i>	<i>James & Gertrude Matthews</i>
<i>Henchey Family</i>	<i>Stanley & Blanche Krainski</i>	<i>Vera Mattro</i>
<i>Michael Hennessey</i>	<i>Walter & Josephine Krainski, Sr.</i>	<i>Joseph & Helen Mauceri</i>
<i>In Loving Memory of all the Deceased Members of the Hennessey Family</i>	<i>Marie Kurash</i>	<i>Mazzotti Family</i>
<i>Frank & Catherine Higley</i>	<i>Gaspar & Jessie Kwiatkowski</i>	<i>Robert "Bob" Mauceri</i>
<i>Chris Hiltz</i>	<i>Anthony LaBella</i>	<i>McCabe Family</i>
<i>Holbert Family</i>	<i>Dave LaCasse</i>	<i>Robert M. McCabe</i>
<i>Matilda Holland</i>	<i>Aundre LaFave</i>	<i>McCallion Family</i>
<i>Isabelle Horan</i>	<i>Elizabeth Lally</i>	<i>Beloved deceased members of the McCauley Family</i>
<i>James & Isabelle Horan</i>	<i>Ethan Lamphier</i>	<i>John McDavitt</i>
<i>Paul Horan</i>	<i>Lauria Family</i>	<i>Arthur & Catherine McDonough</i>
<i>George & Henrietta Hoyt</i>	<i>Deceased Members of the Leary Family</i>	<i>Marie McDonough</i>
<i>Judy Hoyt</i>	<i>Lee Family</i>	<i>Charles & Cecelia McGurin</i>
<i>Elizabeth Jennett</i>	<i>Elizabeth R. Lewis</i>	<i>Jamie & Robbie McKinnon</i>
<i>James Jennett</i>	<i>Carl A. Lombardi Jr. loving husband, father and grandfather</i>	<i>McNiece Family</i>
<i>Jennings Family</i>	<i>Marty Long</i>	<i>McNiff Family</i>
<i>Frank & Rebecca Jones</i>	<i>Josephine Longo</i>	<i>John & Kathryn McTeague</i>
<i>Robert Joyce</i>	<i>The LoPorto Family</i>	<i>Messina Family</i>
<i>Russell & Charlette Juair</i>	<i>John Lowe</i>	<i>Linda Micelli</i>
<i>Francis Kane</i>	<i>David Lumb</i>	<i>Miller Family</i>
<i>Mary Ellen Kelleher Devine</i>	<i>Evelyn Dewhurst Lund</i>	<i>Henry & Julie Miniche</i>
<i>Patrick & Josephine Kelliher</i>	<i>John & Joan Lupo</i>	<i>George Molinari</i>
<i>Peter & Ginger Kelliher</i>	<i>John & Joan Lupo</i>	<i>Ida Molligi Piano</i>
<i>Kelly Family</i>	<i>Philip & Therese MacDonald</i>	<i>Lida & Michael Moore</i>
<i>Charles Kenney</i>	<i>Dennis F. Maher</i>	<i>Juan & Barbara Morales</i>
<i>Skip, Gerry & Keli Kenney</i>	<i>Dorothy L. Maher</i>	<i>Philip A. Moran</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Kenney</i>	<i>Malachowski Family</i>	<i>Anthony Morlani</i>
<i>Richard J. Kieran</i>	<i>Margaret Manning</i>	<i>Brianna Elizabeth Morlani</i>
<i>Kieran Family</i>	<i>Albert & Diane Marasca</i>	<i>Morlani Family</i>
<i>Louise & John Kirby</i>	<i>Elaine Marasca</i>	<i>Chester & Esther Morton</i>
<i>Judith Kirkland</i>	<i>Marasca Family</i>	<i>All Living Members of the Morton Family</i>
<i>James Konowal</i>	<i>Angela Marino</i>	<i>In Loving Memory of Dana Bruce Mower</i>
<i>Barbara Koty</i>	<i>Anthony Marino</i>	<i>Harold "Bunny" Mower</i>
		<i>Genieva Mower Johnson</i>

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Mary Mullally	Mr. & Mrs. Clint Price	William C. Schumaker
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Dorothy, Henry and Hank Murray	Tina Puppa	Eleanor and Laura Simonian
Neary Family	Peter J. Quattrocchi	Arthur & Freida Sommer
Donald Nelson	Rabasco Family	Grace Spinale
John, Delia and Maureen Nevin	June Rankin	Carol & Dennis Stamulis
Charles & Mary Oakes	Reid Family	Sheila Strong
Eleanor O'Brien	Edward & Mary Regan	Suckling Family
Francis M. O'Brien	Anna Regolino	Deceased members of the Sudol Family
Katherine O'Brien	Anne Regolino	Sullivan Family
Mary A. O'Brien	Anthony & Muriel Regolino	Sutermeister Family
Mary C. O'Brien	Augustino & Concetta Regolino	Deceased Members of the Ternullo Family
Michael J. O'Brien	Bruno & Mary Regolino	Thomas Family
Robert O'Brien	Carl & Dorothy Regolino Sr.	Deceased Members of the Tolson Family
Rose C. O'Brien	Dominic & Nancy Regolino	Albert & Louise Trabucco
Mr. Arthur O'Connell	Florence Regolino	Mary Trabucco
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Mrs. Marget O'Connell	Reilly Family	Mr. & Mrs. Sebatin Tringale
James O'Neil	Mr. & Mrs. John Reilly	Fred & Delphina Turilli
Jeffrey O'Neil	Mary Reilly	Twomey Family
Irene O'Neil Sullivan	Lucy & Ad Reisner	Anne Vadala
O'Sullivan Family	Donna Riordan	Angela & Larry Venuti
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Frank Palumbo	Claire Robbins	Mr. Vitozzi
Rosemarie E. Panariti	Ronald Robbins	Aldo Vitozzi
Marciano & Rose Pastore	Donald Rogers	Walsh Family
Adam & Jessie Pawlak	Rogers Family	Mary A. Ward
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Faith Formation News Grades 1-8



A Joyous Easter to One and All!

Happy Easter to all from Faith Formation, grades 1 to 8! May we all come to know the personal love that Jesus has for each of us during this Easter season. It has been our pleasure serving the Lord and you and your families this year. If you have any questions about our Faith Formation offerings, or if you have a student or students who may have missed receiving the sacraments at the "typical" times, please email or call me. I'd love to work with you in the coming year. Enjoy your Easter celebrations! Brenda Terranova, Director, 978-664-2962, email: grades1-5@sttheresanreading.org or grades6-8@sttheresanreading.org.

Please Pray for Our First Communicants!

Please pray for our Grade 2 students who are beginning their final preparations for receiving their First Holy Communion on May 1st or May 8th! They have just a few classes remaining, and their First Communion Retreat, which will be online this year, on April 25th.



Summer Offerings for 2021 and Registration



We are in the process of planning for our middle school summer program and our Vacation Bible School for 2021. We are hoping to open registration for these programs in mid to late April once we receive an update to the Archdiocese Faith Formation guidelines, which have been promised after Easter.

SUMP **Students entering Grade 8 in Fall 2021, July 12th to July 16th, 8:15 am to 12:15 pm**
Tentative Dates: **Students entering Grade 7 in Fall 2021, July 19th to July 23rd, 8:15 am to 12:15 pm**
 Students entering Grade 6 in Fall 2021, August 2nd to August 6th, 8:15 am to 12:15 pm
Vacation Bible School: **Students ages 4 to 10, August 9th to August 13th, 9 am to 12 noon**

Both adult and high school student volunteers are needed to help with both programs. Please email me (grades1-5@sttheresanreading.org or grades6-8@sttheresanreading.org) if you are able to help. Thank you, and Happy Easter!



We are pleased to share that even during these difficult times, we have raised \$21,145 toward our 2021 Catholic Appeal goal of \$46,248. Our heartfelt thanks to all who have helped make our campaign a success so far. Whether you are attending Mass in person or watching from home, we invite you to join us in supporting the Catholic Appeal. We recognize that many of you may be navigating your own financial challenges but ask for your prayerful consideration of a gift to the 2021 Catholic Appeal at whatever level is comfortable for you.

If you have not received a Catholic Appeal letter or email request, donations can be made online at www.bostoncatholicappeal.org, or scan our QR code below, or mail to: The Catholic Appeal, RCAB Pastoral Center, 66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, MA 02184. (In memo line: St. Theresa #300)

Every gift, regardless of the size, is meaningful and can make an impact. Your participation in our Appeal is very much appreciated by our parish and the thousands that are served through the Archdiocesan Central Ministries.

This is our Church and when you support the Appeal, you support us!

Thank you!



What is the Meaning of Life? – Discover Christ

We just finished one of our ChristLife series and as you can see by the smiling faces of our participants (*see photo to the right*), the Zoom format is working very well. It is time effective and gives options for everyone to be able to participate in the comfort of their own home.



We would like to offer Discovering Christ this April! Discovering Christ, the first part of the ChristLife series, is open to people of all denominations or no faith at all. Each week you will watch a 30-minute online video at home prior to the Zoom meeting. Once in our Zoom meeting we will break into small discussion groups to answer questions about the information you heard and how you felt about it. You will stay in the same group each week. Everyone’s opinion is respected.

Some comments from people who have attended: *“No one wanted it to end, no one wanted to leave their group, everyone wanted the course to go on!”* and *“the videos were outstanding.”*

The program runs for seven weeks with a retreat. Try it for three weeks and see what you think! We are considering “before work” and “mid-morning” times and want to see what days and times work best for people. We will be running Discovering Christ again in September with an evening meeting option. If you are interested in attending or have any questions, please email Kathi Lee at kathi@horseshoegrille.com and let her know what days/times work best for you. Please share this with those you love near and far because with Zoom you can be from anywhere, and as close as a click of a button!



Help us stay in touch!

Are you receiving emails from us? When urgent information or parish updates occur, we send out an email to parishioners. We also send out a weekly e-newsletter on Fridays.

If you are not receiving emails from us and would like to, email Teri at: info@sttheresanreading.org and she will add your email to our list.

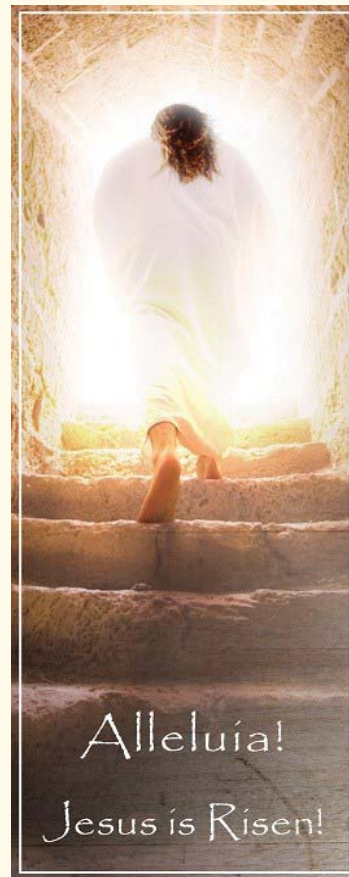


Easter Sunday

There does not seem to be much of a connection between Easter and rabbits, chocolate, egg hunts and parades. But as children, these things stood in stark contrast to the long and dark services of Holy Week, and the Lenten fast which we had to observe—especially in school when there was no dessert or candy sold in the cafeteria! It may not be a theological connection, but it certainly was one we experienced as the joy and happiness of Easter replaced the solemnity of Lent.

Easter is a time of renewal and hope. Jesus did not die and rise for Himself. He did it for us so that we can share in His victory and in His life forever. One way we can celebrate is practice a little renewal in our own lives. Lent ends, but the results of our sacrifice and penance should remain. If we worked to be more patient, continue to practice patience. If our goal was to pray more often, set the time aside that you need. If the purpose of our Lenten practice was to make us healthier, holier, or happier, don’t stop! We share in the Lord’s victory over sin and death in small ways, conquering our own faults and failings with God’s grace. Keep the momentum of Lent throughout Easter so that the pain and struggle of your sacrifice will bring you the joy of renewal.

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Respect For Life

"I AM the way, the truth and the life."

—John 14:6

Reflection: Jesus is the WAY, because He is the TRUTH and LIFE. The Son of God came into the world to destroy the works of the devil, and as John 8:44 reveals, those works are lies and murder.

Prayer: *Lord, we thirst for Your Truth; we embrace Your Life. You are the Way to our eternal salvation. Please help those parents who believe that the only choice they have is abortion to seek the WAY, the TRUTH and the LIFE for their child.*

Please pray to end the scourge of abortion. We are asking parishioners to pray the Rosary from home for the sanctity of all human life, from conception to natural death. Our Blessed Mother Mary has said that the one true weapon against all evil, especially abortion, is the Rosary.

**Thank you for your prayers.
St. Theresa's Pro Life Committee**

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Every Easter, our parish collection benefits Clergy Trust which cares for the health and well-being of our priests in good standing. By supporting the collection, you can show your appreciation and support for the priests who have made and continue to make a difference in your life, the life of our parish, and the lives of countless others in our community. Thank you in advance for your generosity to this collection.



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**Evening of Healing
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Intercessory
Prayer**

Tuesday, April 13th

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6:00 pm: Adoration, Rosary & Confession until 6:45 pm

7:00 pm: Holy Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick

8:15 pm: Opportunity for personal prayer

Should you not be able to be here in person,
you may watch on our website: www.sttheresanreading.org
and email your intentions to: info@sttheresanreading.org

"Jesus healed the centurion's servant from afar."

MT 8: 5-13

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever."

HEB 13: 8

For more information, please call the office at 978 664 3412

Please send us your intentions by April 12 .

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To get more information about how to register, please contact the
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There is no cost to the couple.

Since 2018 over 20 couples have participated in this joyous event.

OUR YOUTH MINISTRY would like to thank everyone who generously donated candy and other items so they could make 30 Easter baskets for the North Reading Food Pantry. This has become an annual tradition for our Youth Ministry and they were happy to be able to help the Food Pantry again this year.



Thank you!



Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone "Virtual"!

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and some span multiple weeks on a given weekday. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God’s plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call at or visit them at <https://wwmem.org/>.

As we celebrate Palm Sunday, let us be open to the love from our spouse and God by participating in a virtual Worldwide Marriage experience on”

Thursdays/Mondays April 8-29
Friday/Saturday/Sunday April 23-25



Thank you for supporting the parish!

Though we can have public gatherings of the Mass, we are only at a small percentage of normal Mass attendance. Yet, we still have our normal daily operation costs at the church and office. If you are able, please consider continuing your weekly donation. You can easily give to the parish using Givebutter on your phone either through Text-to-Give” or by scanning the QR Code below. You can also continue to give through the Online Giving program.

Thank you for your prayers and generosity!

“Text-to-Give” by simply texting “Theresa” to 202-858-1233. You will receive a message back with a link to click on. Once you click on the link our St. Theresa donation page will come to your phone.

Or, use the **QR code** to the right (using the camera on your phone), tap the link that appears at the top of your camera screen, and the same St. Theresa Church giving options will pop-up.

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