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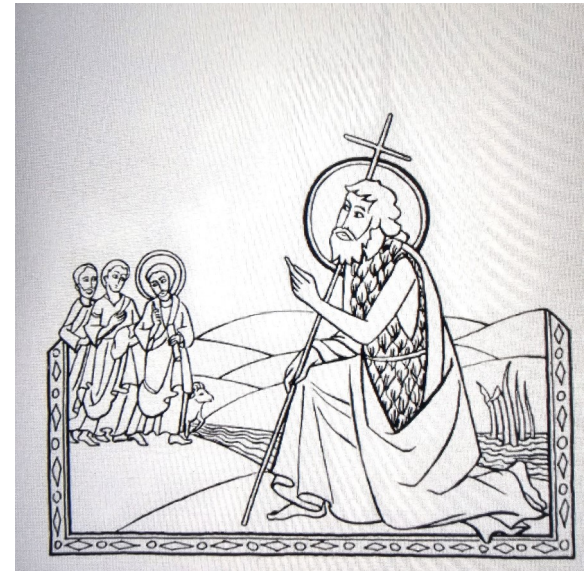
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JANUARY 14TH
2ND SUNDAY
IN
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TIME



Look, here is the Lamb of God!



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Office Hours: Wednesday 8:30AM—4:30PM

Holy Mass Schedule:
The Day of the Lord begins Saturday: Vigil 4:00PM
Sunday: 9:00AM
Weekdays: 8:00AM or as announced

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
Saturday: 3:00-3:45PM
Sunday: 8:00-8:45AM
By appointment

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:
Please contact the parish priest during serious illness or before surgery.

Sacrament of Baptism: By appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage:
Please contact the parish priest as soon as possible. Pre-marriage classes are mandatory.

Eucharistic Adoration:
First Friday of the Month: 8:30—9:30
First Saturday of the Month: 8:30—9:30

Catholic Women's League:
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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 14th, 2024 – Year B

Mass Schedule & Intentions: Jan. 13-21st

Saturday 4:00PM	Jan 13 Vigil of 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time † Josephine Gasparri by Gloria Marchionda
Sunday 9:00 AM	Jan 14th —2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Missa pro populo
Monday	Jan 15th: Second week in Ordinary Time
Tuesday 8:00AM	Jan 16th— Second week in Ordinary Time † Joseph McDonald by Lynn and Pat Dyson
Wednesday 8:00AM	Jan 17— Saint Anthony † Sheila Sirone by Josephina DiGregorio
Thursday 8:00AM	Jan 18th— Second week in Ordinary Time † John Gerden by Frank & Angelina Habjan
Friday 8:00AM	Jan 19th— Second week in Ordinary Time † DiNobile & Nigro families by Fernanda DiNobile
Saturday 8:00 AM	Jan 20—Second Week in Ordinary Time † Amanda Burger by Ron Graveline
4:00PM	Vigil of 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time † Delia Mattiazzo by Linda Smarrella
Sunday 9:00 AM	Jan. 21st—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Missa pro populo



CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

Is a Diocesan-approved marriage preparation program that provides quality marriage preparation in a week-end retreat format. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper, more meaningful life together and who are considered free to marry according to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. The current CEE weekend schedule for the Diocese of St. Catharines is April 26-27-28, 2024 and September 13-14-15, 2024 at Jericho House (10845 Rathfon Road, Port Colborne). The cost is \$425.00 which includes all administration fees, accommodations, and meals. Please visit www.ceeast.org for more information and to register.

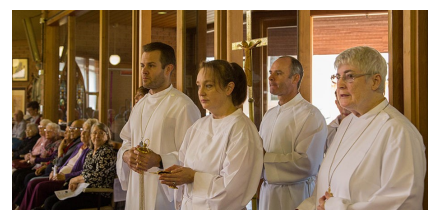
Liturgical seeds from THE GENERAL INSTRUCTION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL

The Priest takes the paten or ciborium and approaches the communicants, who usually come up in procession. **In the Dioceses of Canada, Holy Communion is to be received standing, though individual members of the faithful may choose to receive Communion while kneeling.** When standing before the minister to receive Holy Communion, the faithful should make a simple bow of the head. When receiving Holy Communion on the tongue, they reverently join their hands; when receiving Holy Communion in the hand, they reverently open their hands placing one beneath the other, and they consume the host immediately upon receiving it. (#160)

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of January:

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church: We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

MINISTER OF THE ALTAR AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF COMMUNION



Those who have signed up to perform this important liturgical service and all people available for it are cordially invited to attend a meeting at the church this Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Your participation is highly encouraged.



RCIC-C Program: Baptismal Formation for Children

The program is designed for children aged 5 (SK students) to 12, and it is a pivotal moment leading to the sacrament of baptism. Commencing on January 23rd at 4:30 p.m., the program spans eight enlightening sessions.

These meetings will take place at the parish rectory. For additional details, kindly reach out to us at #905.834.4645.



MANY THANKS TO YOU!

I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of our dedicated volunteers and staff members who, throughout the past year, exhibited unwavering commitment in meticulously planning our Eucharistic celebrations and organizing various outreach activities. Their tireless efforts ensured that our church building was not only prepared for these meaningful events but was also meticulously maintained. Your dedication, generosity, and thoughtfulness have not gone unnoticed, and I extend my sincerest appreciation. I would also like to extend my gratitude to our parishioners for your sacrificial contributions during the different appeals held throughout the year. Your support has been instrumental in sustaining the various initiatives and programs that enrich our community. As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude for the collective efforts that have made our community stronger and more vibrant. May the Lord shower each of you with abundant blessings, filling your lives with joy and peace. Thank you for being an integral part of our shared journey of faith and service.

LECTORS



Those who have signed up as liturgical lectors and all people available for this parish service are cordially invited to attend a meeting at the church this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. Your participation is highly encouraged.

The Gospel of John describes Jesus' first dialogue with human beings. John the Baptist sees the Word of God incarnated in Jesus passing by and reveals to Andrew and another disciple that Jesus is the "Lamb of God," the one who will offer his life for the salvation of people. The disciples' following of Jesus stems from this testimony. They follow Jesus, who notices them and, according to the fourth Gospel, speaks his first words by asking, "What are you seeking?" With the expression "tis zeteis," translated as "what do you seek," the Messiah asks them what is truly important to them, what is the center of their lives. Their response, "Where are you staying?" expresses the desire to share life with him and to follow him, transforming Jesus' dwelling into their home. With the exhortation "come and see," Jesus doesn't propose a doctrine but invites them to share an experience. The Gospel emphasizes the disciples' perfect obedience—they "went and saw" and "stayed with him." Their experience is not fleeting; seeing Jesus, they remain close to him, understanding that he is the key to their search. The encounter becomes so decisive that the hour is even recorded, becoming an indelible memory, the most important event of their lives.

The encounter with the "Lamb of God" leads Andrew to follow the path of Eli and John the Baptist: he becomes a proclaimer and mediator of the Word, reaching out to his brother Simon and leading him to Jesus. This encounter is deeper than the previous ones, as Simon receives a new name. From that moment, Simon becomes Peter, a new person characterized by a profound relationship with Jesus and a mandate for those entrusted to him.

As often happens in the life of every believer, the encounter with Jesus Christ relaunches the journey of life, transforming it from a search for personal identity affirmation to an awareness of mission and vocation. Today, Jesus turns to you and asks the same question about your searches in life, your desires, and invites you to live with him. Are you ready to respond positively and consequently become a listener of his word and its proclaimer? Being a Christian doesn't just mean being baptized; it involves life choices and a willingness to announce with our lives and daily meditation on the Word that meets us now, in the Mass, and in every moment of our ordinary life. **(F. D)**

SUNDAY OFFERING

Jan 7, 2024:	\$ 1323.00
Parish Repairs:	\$ 200.00
Christmas:	\$ 50.00
Solemnity:	\$ 40.00
Initial:	\$ 110.00

Thank you for sharing your gifts with the Lord and the faith community of St. Therese. May God bless you for your faithful stewardship.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

CWL Membership Renewal: Kindly note that membership fees is \$35.00 this year. Your prompt renewal is appreciated.

UP Coming Events

Next meeting: Feb. 6th at 1p.m.

Diocesan Lenten Retreat, Saturday, February 17 or Wednesday February 21

Place: Monastery of Mount Carmel

Cost: \$50.00 (CWL members \$25.00)

Guest Speaker: Father Michael Basque.

Deadline Feb. 9th. Check poster for more info.

To register contact Parish CWL President

Soup Sunday - March 10th following 9.a.m. Mass

Apple pie sale - March 23 & 24 following Sat. 4 p.m. & Sun. 9 a.m. Masses