

St. Therese Catholic School

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STS Newsletter

Go Crusaders!



Mission Statement: To provide Faith, Service and Learning opportunities for students, families and communities in a Christ-like environment.

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UNIFORMS

Here are some links for uniforms. While in the past we have used Dennis uniforms, we have not contracted with them in the past two years. You may buy the polos or sweatshirts from the school by clicking on this link:

<https://www.stthereseschoolabq.org/uniforms> link for polos/sweatshirts

If you are needing the **plaid jumper, you can order from Dennis here:**

Dennis uniform basics (Prek-4th grade) [girls jumper](#)

If you need a plaid skirt, we have some sizes for new skirts in the office. 5th-8th grade, if you need a particular size, we will order these in bulk and you can purchase from us.

Dennis Uniform also has a basic store. This means you can buy their plain stock, such as the blue slacks, white blouse/shirt, but nothing with a logo. [Dennis uniform basics girls](#) and [Dennis uniform basics boys](#) Remember boys wear navy slacks, girls may wear navy skorts or the plaid jumper/skirt. Girls need a navy crisscross tie and boys a regular navy tie for Mass.

You can also check out the closet for gently used uniforms, which are all free of charge. If you have any questions on uniforms, just drop me an email m.giglio@stschool.org

AUGUST LITURGY

1	ST. ALPHONSUS LIGOURI, MEMORIAL
2	ST. EUSEBIUS OF VERCELLI; ST. PETERY EYMARD
4	ST. JOHN VIANNEY
5	DEDICATION OF ST. MARY MAJOR BASILICA; MASS OF OUR LADY
6	TRANSFIGURATION
7	ST. SIXTUS II AND COMPANIONS; ST. CAJETAN
8	ST. DOMINIC
9	ST. TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS
10	ST. LAWRENCE, DEACON/MARTYR
11	ST. CLARE
12	ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL; MASS OF OUR LADY
14	ST. MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE
15	ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
16	ST. STEPHEN OF HUNGARY
19	ST. JOHN EUDES; MASS OF OUR LADY
21	ST. PIUS X
22	QUEENSHIP OF MARY
23	ST. ROSE OF LIMA
24	ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE/MARTYR
25	ST. LOOUIS, ST. JOSEPH CALASANZ
26	MASS OF OUR LADY
28	ST. AUGUSTINE
29	PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

SCHOOL MASS SCHEDULE – AUGUST



Thursday	August 10	Teachers host
Tuesday	August 15	8 th grade hosts
Thursday	August 24	7 th grade hosts
Thursday	August 31	6 th grade hosts

Adoration will follow most Masses on Thursday.

Prayers...

When school is in session, we pray each morning, and we pray for each other. Please keep in your prayers Mr. Stephen Baker, Mid School Social Studies/Grammar teacher. He underwent open heart surgery and is now recovering. Also pray for any intentions of our STS family.

August Events

- August 10: Orientation day begins with 8:15 am Mass
- August 28-September 1: Book fair in the library
- August 30 (Wed) Open house 5-7 pm

This day is designed for a more in-depth look at the teacher and classroom. It is an evening of fellowship and getting new friends and visiting with old friends. This is not a conference evening. If you feel you need a conference, please schedule that with the teacher.



Teachers of the Year

Each year, the Catholic Foundation, asks for nominations for teachers who did an outstanding job. I am so proud to say that St. Therese Catholic School was blessed with **TWO** teachers of the year. These teachers were nominated by parents and colleagues. They will be honored in September at a special luncheon for the Catholic Foundation!

Congratulations to Ms. Katie-Jane Widner PreK teacher and to Mrs. Carolyn Love Kindergarten teacher!



Ms. Widner



Mrs. Love

Financial Corner



The school year has begun positively in the financial side. We were able to recarpet both the 5th grade and Spanish classrooms. We had to fix the pump on our well and the electric project is still active. With our

aging building, there are always little things to keep the building in good working order.

Formation for Families

Month of the Immaculate Heart



O Mary Immaculate, inflame our hearts with one ray of the burning love of thy pure heart.



Novena to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Most Blessed Mother, heart of love, heart of mercy, ever listening, caring, consoling, hear our prayer. As your children, we implore your intercession with Jesus your Son. Receive with understanding and compassion the petitions we place before you today, especially ...(special intention).

Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

[*The Rosary*](#)

[*Litany of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*](#)

[*Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary*](#)

[*Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart*](#)

Documents

On Fatima and Consecration of the World to the Immaculate Heart — Pius XII

We entrust, O Mary, and Consecrate the Whole World to your Immaculate Heart! — John Paul

II

On Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary — Pius XII

Consecration to Jesus and Mary — Fr. William G. Most

Websites

[The Rosary Center](#)

[Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary](#)

[The Mary Page](#)

[Saturdays and the Immaculate Heart of Mary](#)

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of Jesus is) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life. Such devotion is an incentive to a similar love and virtue.

This devotion has received new emphasis in this century from the visions given to Lucy Dos Santos, oldest of the visionaries of Fatima, in her convent in Tuy, in Spain, in 1925 and 1926. In the visions Our Lady asked for the practice of the Five First Saturdays to help make amends for the offenses committed against her heart by the blasphemies and ingratitude of men. The practice parallels the devotion of the Nine First Fridays in honor of the Sacred Heart.

On October 31, 1942, Pope Pius XII made a solemn Act of Consecration of the Church and the whole world to the Immaculate Heart. Let us remember this devotion year-round, but particularly through the month of August.

Excerpted from *The Prayer Book* by Reverend John P. O'Connell, M.A., S.T.D. and Jex Martin, M.A.



Consecration to the Immaculate Heart Pope Paul VI, on the floor of the Vatican Council at the close of the third session, renewed publicly the consecration of the Church and the world to Mary's Immaculate Heart. He said that his thoughts turned to the whole world "which our venerated predecessor Pius XII . . . not without inspiration from on high, solemnly consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. . . . O Virgin Mary, Mother of the Council, to you we recommend the entire Church." When he visited Fatima on May 13, 1967, the same Pope recalled this "consecration which we ourselves have renewed on November 21, 1964 — we exhort all the sons of the Church to renew personally their consecration to the Immaculate Heart of the Mother of the Church and to bring alive this most noble act of veneration through a life ever more in accord with the divine will and in a spirit of filial service and of devout imitation of their heavenly Queen."

Before making a consecration it is most desirable to make a careful preparation extending over some period of time. One good way to make that preparation is described in the last part of St. Louis de Montfort's *True Devotion* book.

The most essential thing is not making an act of consecration, with or without some solemnity, though that is important. The essential thing is to live that consecration.

Living a consecration could be described as following three attitudes or spirits:



Union — Imitation of Jesus and Mary, so as to become like them, and trying to develop as constant as possible a realization of His and her presence.



Dependence — Give to Jesus and Mary the right to dispose of everything we have, temporal and spiritual.



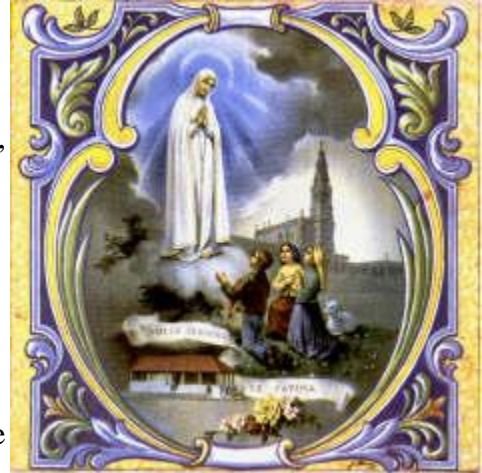
Obedience — Jesus and Mary have the right to ask us to do anything at all, even without reward. In consecration, we recognize that right, give it on a basis of love, and plan to carry it out with fullest generosity.

St. Maximilian Kolbe liked to speak of the relation of consecration to our baptismal promises, in which we promised to renounce satan and all his works, and to follow Jesus, by whom we are "sealed" in baptism as His property. Consecration is the fullest kind of response to and carrying out of these promises. Mary, in view of her Immaculate Conception, was most fitted to respond most fully, and that she did, with a fullness and perfection beyond our ability to visualize — for we recall that Pius IX told us that even at the start of her existence, her holiness was so great that "none greater under God can be thought of, and no one but God can comprehend it."

Excerpted from *Our Father's Plan*, Fr. William G. Most

Reparation to the Immaculate Heart

Our very consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary calls upon us to make reparation for the offenses that we and others have committed against her. The Church, in inviting us to consecrate ourselves to her Immaculate Heart, implicitly calls upon us for this reparation. But more explicitly, and even before Fatima, Saint Pius X offered a plenary indulgence to all who on the first Saturday of the month would observe special devotions in honor of the Immaculate Virgin in a spirit of reparation for the blasphemies uttered against her.



There is, however, an even more basic reason why each one of us owes reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary: every sin of ours caused grief and suffering to her in union with her divine Son. For sin was the cause of that terrible day on Calvary when she, as the New Eve, shared in the torment of the great sacrifice, and, amidst indescribable pain, brought forth spiritually all the members of the Mystical Body of her divine Son. God willed that Mary should be intimately associated with His Son in bearing the burden of all sin; surely then, her Immaculate Heart, in union with His divine Heart, should receive reparation from us who have caused them such pain. If anyone causes hurt to even a very ordinary human being, he does not overlook the need to make amends. How much more do we owe to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary!

Excerpted *Mary In Our Life*, Fr. William G. Most



School Dress Code

Just a reminder that students (male and female) should not have highlights or colored hair, artificial nails, non-prescription contacts or wear make-up. Boy's hair should be cut above the collar and not have any shapes or razor art in their cuts. For both boys and girls, hair/bangs should not cover their eyes. We ask that girls keep hair items to a simple hair tie or STS uniform headband or scrunchie. No big bows or jewelry/beads in their hair. Shoes and other items for your student: please make sure that shoes should be regular sneakers that are white, black or blue; no high tops, no Vans with checks or designs, no light-ups and no wheels on the shoes. Please

no boots; heels on student shoes no more than an inch. Please keep socks conservative: white, black, or blue. A small swish is fine, but no graffiti or images on the socks. Please do not have students wear the no show socks. They must be ankle or knee socks for both boys and girls. Thank you for helping in honoring the dress code for the school! This is referenced in the handbook.



Virtus is an Archdiocesan training for all volunteers that helps adults learn to recognize the warning signs of abuse, and it shows them the appropriate way to respond to suspicious behavior. If you are planning on attending or volunteering in any capacity at the school, even if only driving or being with your own child, please take the time to take “Protecting God's Children” online. The certificate is turned into the front office and is good for five (5) years. This will also cover any volunteering in any of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe communities. Visit www.virtusonline.org and take your class today.

Annual Notifications

Legal Notice

The Archdiocese of Santa Fe and St. Therese Catholic School comply with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) by providing access for the review of the Management Plan at this school. The Management Plan is kept in the principal's office and will be updated as various situations develop and inspections are completed. Arrangements may be made with the principal of the school or to the executive director of general services at the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.

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U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. **email:**
program.intake@usda.gov

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<https://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/i/community/smiths-inspiring-donations>



APIAL is our sport program. Registration is currently active until 8/21/23 for several sports: Volleyball, cross-country, flag football, and golf. Please click the link: <https://sites.google.com/view/apialathleticsregister/sts> to register today. No registrations will be accepted after August 21.