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**MASS SCHEDULE  
HORARIO DE MISAS**

**Saturday/Sábado**  
5:00 pm English

**Sunday/Domingo**  
10:00 am English  
12:30 pm Español

**Tuesday-Thursday / Martes-Jueves**  
8:15 am English

**First Friday/Primer Viernes**  
10:00 am English

**CONFESSION/CONFESIÓN:**  
**Saturday/Sábado**  
4:00– 4:45 pm or by appointment. *O con cita*

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY/  
SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO**  
Please call the Parish Office for appointment (6 months of marriage preparation required).  
*Favor de hablar a la oficina para una cita (6 meses de preparacion requerida).*

**BAPTISM/BAUTISMOS**  
Please call the parish office. *Favor de hablar a la oficina.*

**MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS**  
Please visit the parish office. *Favor de hablar a la oficina.*

**CONFIRMATION/CONFIRMACIÓN**  
Confirmation is every year with a 2 year preparation. *La confirmacion se realiza cada ano con una preparacion de 2 anos.*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA**

Grades K-6/Grados K-6:  
Sundays/Domingo 11:00 am -12:15 pm  
Grades 7-12/Grados 7-12:  
Wednesdays/Miércoles 7:00 pm

**FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION/PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN Y PRIMERA COMUNIÓN**  
Children in first grade must be enrolled in the Parish School/Parish School of Religion (PSR) to receive the sacrament in second grade. *Los niños en primer grado deben estar inscritos en la Escuela Parroquial/Escuela Parroquial de Religión (PSR) para recibir el sacramento en segundo grado.*

**EMAUS:** Invites you to pray the Holy Rosary every Saturday at 7:50 am. *Se les invita a rezar el Santo Rosario cada sábado a las 7:50 am.*

**FOUNDED  
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*Welcome to the Catholic Community of*

***St. Lawrence Catholic Church***

**DIOCESE OF  
SPRINGFIELD  
-CAPE  
GIRARDEAU**

Parish Office 417-235-3286 Parish School 417-235-3721 405 7th Street, Monett, MO 65708

**Digital bulletins available at [www.stlawrencemonett.com](http://www.stlawrencemonett.com)**

Office Hours/Horas de Oficina: Monday-Friday/Lunes-Viernes 9:00am-3:00pm

**Please remember St. Lawrence Church and School in your will.**

**Parish Mission Statement/ Misión Parroquial**

*"We children of God and the Catholic community of St. Lawrence parish are committed to the worship of God and the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through education and our living example of love and concern for all the people of our area."*

*"Los hijos de Dios y la comunidad Católica de la parroquia de San Lorenzo estamos comprometidos con la adoración a Dios y la difusión del Evangelio de Jesucristo a través de la educación y nuestro ejemplo vivo de amor y preocupación por todas las personas de nuestra área".*

## PASSING OF A PRIEST

We are sad to announce that Father Peter Morciniec has passed on to be with the Lord on August 27, 2025.. He was a priest for 55 years and was at St. Mary's and St. Agnes for 23 years until his retirement. He will be greatly missed. Fathers' rosary and visitation will be at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pierce City on September 21st at 6:00pm. The Memorial Mass will be held at St. Mary's on September 22, 2025 at 10:30am, with burial to follow at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord and let Your perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

**August 31, 2025**

Envelopes/Loose Checks	\$3,383.00
Loose Bills/Change	\$1,265.00
Children's Collection	\$30.00
Votive Candles	\$35.00
Mass Offerings	\$90.00
School Support	\$100.00
Outreach	\$5.00
Maintenance Fund	\$20.00
Religious Goods	\$35.00
Father's Hat Money	\$20.00
PSR	\$355.00
Sacred Heart Reimbursement	\$2,232.58
DDF	\$500.00
Peter's Pence	\$5.00
PSR Supplies	\$20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,095.58</b>

**Fr. Rahab thanks everyone for your generous contributions to our Parish.**

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

- Sept. 14th- Retirement Fund for Religious
- Oct. 19th- World Mission Sunday

## SIGN UP FOR FLOCKNOTE

Keep in touch with us via email or text! Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry updates, and more delivered to your phone.

To sign up, use the QR code, text

**SAINTL** To 84576, or go or online at **Stlawrencecatholic-churc2.flocknote.com**



**WELCOME to St. Lawrence Catholic Church.** Our Parish has helped to bring Jesus Christ to the city of Monett since 1892. We seek to foster the spiritual growth of our parishioners through the celebration of the Sacraments, Catechists, community life, and personal prayer.

## PCCW

PCCW meeting Mon., Sept. 8th at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. We will have a guest speaker, Principal Martha Yates. She will be speaking about a new exciting program for the school, Disciples of Christ - Education in Virtue. All parishioners are welcome to attend in support of our school and new principal.

## CHILDREN'S COLLECTION

All children are invited to participate in the Children's collection during mass by bringing their offerings to the altar and placing them in the pink basket during the regular Sunday collections. This is a great way to teach them that everyone is included in our church community.

## PSR ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Parish School of Religion (PSR)

**Sign-Up for PSR Today!** Please make plans to enroll your children as soon as possible.

- Classes for 1st thru 6th grades are on Sundays at 11am **beginning September 14th**
- Classes for 7th thru 12th grades are on Wednesdays at 7pm **began on September 3rd**

We need volunteers to help educate our precious children on Sundays or Wednesdays. Please contact Jim Haston at (417)393-0811.

### PSR Supplies Still Needed:

- Copy paper
- Kleenex
- Lysol wipes
- Microfiber Cleaning towels
- 5 bottles of rubbing alcohol
- Cordless standing vacuum
- Dawn dish liquid
- Liquid hand soap

Your donations are appreciated!

## OCIA ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

First Class is Tuesday, Sep. 16th from 7 to 8pm and will continue every Tuesday in the conference room. This will be a good time to do our evangelical work and invite a relative or friends who are not Catholic or are "fallen away." Invite them to get a better understanding of our Faith. Sometimes it may be difficult to talk to a relative or friend. If you want us to contact them, call the office or my number with their contact information and we will make the invitation. Please pray for us and them as we begin our journey into the Faith. Veni Sancte Spiritus, Come Holy Spirit. Ed Laning 760-250-4143

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### DDF 2025 The Bishop's Annual Appeal

To date our parish has given \$28,978. We have now met our monetary goal!

### Catechetical Sunday 2025

Catechetical Sunday is September 21, 2025. This year's theme is ***"Always be ready to give an explanation...for a reason for your hope."***

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day! Rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married! The emphasis of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is on communication between husband and wife, who spend a weekend together away from the distractions and the tensions of everyday-life, to concentrate solely on each other.

The next Marriage Encounter experience will be held: **Sept. 26-28, 2025 at the CRM Retreat Center in Carthage** For more information, go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org).

### ASCEND—Day of Prayer and Formation

All catechists and youth ministers are invited to a day of prayer, fellowship, and formation. This is a great opportunity to gain Franciscan Catechetical Institute credit as well as be renewed spiritually. The day will begin at 9am and end at 12:30pm, a light lunch will be provided. There is no cost but please register by calling Lynn Melendez at (417) 866-0841. Locations are:

- Sat. Sept. 27th— St. Peter the Apostle, Joplin
- Sat. Oct. 4—St. John Vianney, Mountain View
- Sat. Oct 18—Sacred Heart, Dexter
- TBD—Holy Trinity, Springfield



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & LADIES AUXILIARY



- ◆ Meetings held every 1st Sunday of the month at 6:00pm in the church basement.
- ◆ Join us in praying the rosary, every Saturday before Mass at 4:30pm and before Mass on the 5th Sunday at 9:30am.
- ◆ **Coats for Kids is getting ready for distributions.** If you are interested in donating or helping please contact Ed Velten.
- ◆ **St. Lawrence Monett Coat Drive is September 27th 2pm-4pm.** More information will be out soon

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Barbara Alvarez; Sarah Sylvain Isidor(Father's Mom); Maria Padilla; Juan Cecenas; Maria Rueda; Parker Laning; Rosemary Schmidt; Kenneth Wroblewski; Bob DeGraff; Irene Cavazos; Oaklee Kay White; Al Fiffe; Debbie Erwin; Betty Prier; Joseph Alvarez; Macey Flynt; Corey Sandwisch; Jim Case**

If you want to put a name in the bulletin or know of any sick or homebound parishioners who would like visitors, please call the parish office.

## CLAIM YOUR DISHES!

Extra dishes will be available to anyone after school starts. Please claim your serving bowls and dishes before they are gone!



## PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting Dates at 6:30 pm in Kindergarten Class:

- September 17th                      October 15th
- November 19th                      December 17th

## SCHOOL NEWS

This week we celebrated Grandparents day on Friday the 5th! It is beautiful to see the faith being handed down through the generations of a family. Grandparents and students enjoyed ice cream, gifts and classroom activities.

We will have a school board meeting on Wed., Sept. 10th—anyone interested may attend! We will also be looking for a couple new school board members as some have termed out—think about whether serving on the school board is something the Lord may be inviting you to!

First Friday adoration was a special time for our students to pray before the Blessed Sacrament and meet Jesus, the friend who is truly with us everyday. The window for Mo Scholars applications has been pushed back— but information will be forthcoming about the tax credit that is available.

Martha Yates, School Principal

### **Lost & Found:**

Do any of these items belong to you?

If so, please come to the office to pick them up.



**ENGLISH LECTORS****Saturday 5:00pm**

- **September 6th**.....Jim Haston
- **September 13th**.....Al Dohmen
- **September 20th**.....Nikki Pierce

**Sunday 10:00am**

- **September 7th**.....Jim Haston
- **September 14th**.....Youth
- **September 21st**.....Angie Madison

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS****Saturdays 5:00pm**

- **September 6th**—Al Dohmen, Geri Carey, Nikki Pierce, Katelyn Conley, Agnes Bruner
- **September 13th**—Jim Haston, Marilyn Ceselski, Jason Ceselski, Ashley Ceselski, Geri Carey
- **September 20th**—Jim Haston, Teresa Verhoff, Aaron Holmes, Al Dohmen, Kirk Verhoff

**Sundays 10:00am**

- **September 7th**—Sonie Probstfield, Susan Garcia, Charles Wilke, Bailey Flynt, Michelle Cornell
- **September 14th**—Youth
- **September 21st**—Jay Jastal, Emma Outhouse, Jerry Hudson, Judy Hudson, Ann Saunders

**SERVERS 10AM MASS**

- **September 7th**—Isaac Saunders, Pedro Contreras, Johana Piedra
- **September 14th**—Youth
- **September 21st**—Alex Apostol, Francisco Salas, Fernando Salas, Uriel Marcos

**September 7, 2025**

**1st Read:** Wisdom 9:13-18; **Psalm:** Psalm 90:3-6,12-14,17; **2nd Read:** Philemon 9:10,12-17; **Gospel:** Luke 14:25-33

**September 8, 2025**

**1st Read:** Micah 5:1-4; **Psalm:** Psalm 13:6; **Gospel:** Matthew 1:1-16,18-23

**September 9, 2025**

**1st Read:** Colossians 2:6-15; **Psalm:** Psalm 145:1-2,8-11; **Gospel:** Luke 6:12-19

**September 10, 2025**

**1st Read:** Colossians 3:1-11; **Psalm:** Psalm 145:2-3,10-13; **Gospel:** Luke 6:20-26

**September 11, 2025**

**1st Read:** Colossians 3:12-17; **Psalm:** Psalm 150:1-6; **Gospel:** Luke 6:27-38

**September 12, 2025**

**1st Read:** 1 Timothy 1:1-2,12-14; **Psalm:** Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-8,11; **Gospel:** Luke 6:39-42

**September 13, 2025**

**1st Read:** 1 Timothy 1:15-17; **Psalm:** Psalm 113:1-7; **Gospel:** Luke 6:43-49

**WEEKLY CALENDAR/  
CALENDARIO SEMANAL****SATURDAY, SEP. 6TH: BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

4:00 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass Monett +Gary LaDuke and Jay Hardin

6:30 pm Misa Verona - Spanish

**SUNDAY, SEP. 7TH: 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 am Mass Verona

10:00 am Mass Monett +Lynnix and James Curry; +Father Peter

12:30 pm Misa Monett - Spanish +Raul Meza Hernandez, Omar Alberto, Agustin Gonzales, y Francisco Morales

6:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting-Basement

6:00 pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting-Basement

**MONDAY, SEP. 8TH: THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

6:00 pm Prayer Group

**TUESDAY, SEP. 9TH: ST. PETER CLOVER**

8:15 am Mass Monett +Rita and Charlie Drake; +Sara Schad

6:00 pm Rosary - Spanish

**WEDNESDAY, SEP. 10TH**

8:00 am Mass Verona

6:30 pm Youth Group

7:00 pm PSR 7th-12th grades

**THURSDAY, SEP. 11TH**

8:15 am Mass Monett +Anthony and Rosalie St. George

**FRIDAY, SEP. 12TH: THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY**

8:00 am Mass Verona

1:00 pm Dominoes/Puzzles - Church Basement

**SATURDAY, SEP. 13TH: ST. JOHN CHRYSOTOM**

4:00 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass Monett +Jim Ceselski

6:30 pm Misa Verona - Spanish

**SUNDAY, SEP. 14TH: THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

8:00 am Mass Verona

10:00 am Mass Monett +Rodney Wroblewski and Zenon Meza Robles

11:00 am PSR - 1st-6th grades

12:30 pm Misa Monett - Spanish



**ANUNCIOS DE PSR**

**Escuela Parroquial de Religion (PSR)**  
**¡Inscribase hoy mismo en la PSR!** Por favor, planifique inscribir a sus hijos lo antes posible. Las clases de 1 a 6 grado son los domingos a las 11am a partir **del 14 de septiembre**. Las clases de 7 a 12 grado son los miercoles a las 7pm a partir **del 3 de septiembre**.

Necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a educar a nuestros queridos niños los domingos o miercoles. Por favor, contacte a Jim Haston al (417) 393-0811

**Materiales necesarios para la PSR:**

Papel para fotocopias  
 Aspiradora inalámbrica  
 Toallas de microfibra  
 5 botellas de alcohol isopropílico  
 Jabón líquido para manos  
 Pañuelos desechables  
 Líquido lavavajillas Dawn  
 Toallitas húmedas Lysol  
 ¡Agradecemos sus donaciones!

**ANUNCIOS DE OCIA****Oreden de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (OCIA)**

La primera clase se llevará a cabo el martes 16 de septiembre de 7 a 8pm y continuará todos los martes en la sala de conferencias. Este será un buen momento para realizar nuestra labor evangelizadora e invitar a familiares o amigos que no sean católicos o se hayan alejado de la fe. Invitenlos a comprender mejor nuestra fe. A veces puede ser difícil hablar con un familiar o amigo. Si desean que nos comuniquemos con ellos, llamen a la oficina o a mi número con su información de contacto y les haremos la invitación. Por favor, oren por nosotros y por ellos al comenzar Nuestro camino hacia la fe. Veni, Espíritu Santo. Ed Laning 760-250-4143

**Reporte del Desarrollo Diocesano**

Hasta la fecha, nuestra parroquia ha donado \$28,978. ¡Ahora hemos cumplido nuestra meta monetaria!

**7 de Septiembre de 2025**

**Primera:** Sabiduría 9:13-19; **Salmo:** Salmo 89:3-6,12-14,17; **Segunda:** Filemon 9:10,12-17; **Evangelio:** Lucas 14:25-33

**8 de Septiembre de 2025**

**Primera:** Miqueas 5:1-4; **Salmo:** Salmo 12:6; **Evangelio:** Mateo 1:1:16,18-23

**9 de Septiembre de 2025**

**Primera:** Colosenses 2:6-15; **Salmo:** Salmo 144:1-2,8-11; **Evangelio:** Cfr Juan 15:16

**10 de Septiembre de 2025****NOTICIAS ESCOLARES**

Esta semana celebramos el Día de los Abuelos el viernes 5. Es hermoso ver como la fe se transmite de generación en generación. Abuelos y alumnos disfrutaron de helado, regalos y actividades en el aula.

Tendremos una reunión de la junta escolar el miércoles 10 de septiembre. ¡Todos los interesados pueden asistir! También buscamos un par de nuevos miembros para la junta escolar, ya que algunos ya han terminado su periodo. ¡Piensen si servir en la junta escolar es algo a lo que el Señor los invita! La adoración del Primer Viernes fue un momento especial para que nuestros alumnos oraran ante el Santísimo Sacramento y conocieran a Jesús, el amigo que verdaderamente está con nosotros todos los días.

El plazo para solicitar becas Mo se ha pospuesto, pero próximamente les informaremos sobre el crédito fiscal disponible.

Martha Yates, Directora de la escuela

**FLOCKNOTE**

¡Mantente en contacto con nosotros a través de correo electrónico y mensajes de texto! Horarios de misa, cancelaciones por mal tiempo, actualizaciones

de ministerios y más directamente a tu teléfono. Para registrarte, envía un mensaje de texto con la palabra **SAINTL** al **202-765-3441**. También puedes inscribirte en línea en: **Stlawrencecatholicchurc2.flocknote.com**

**Objetos perdidos:**

¿Alguno de estos artículos te pertenece? Si es así, venga a la oficina a recogerlos. También tenemos algunas llaves del coche.



**Primera:** Colosenses 3:1-11; **Salmo:** Salmo 144:2-3,10-13; **Evangelio:** Lucas 6:20-26

**11 de Septiembre de 2025**

**Primera:** Colosenses 3:12-17; **Salmo:** Salmo 150:1-6; **Evangelio:** Lucas 6:27-38

**12 de Septiembre de 2025**

**Primera:** 1 Timoteo 1:1-2,12-14; **Salmo:** Del Salmo 15; **Evangelio:** Lucas 6:39-42

**13 de Septiembre de 2025**

**Primera:** 1 Timoteo 1:15-17; **Salmo:** Salmo 112:1-7; **Evangelio:** Lucas 6:43-49

# Family and Friends or God?

**YES, I AM A CHRISTIAN.**



In today's Gospel reading Jesus says, "If any one comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple."

You probably thought that God doesn't want us to hate anyone, right? Well He doesn't! What Jesus was saying was that we should love God more than we love the people closest to us. He means that we should be ready to do what God wants even if that means losing our family or best friends.

Normally God wants us to stay close to the people we love, but what if you had to choose between doing the right thing or keeping your friends? Are you ready to give up anything or anyone that would stop you from loving God?

**STEAL THAT IF YOU WANT TO STAY FRIENDS WITH ME.**

**NO, I WON'T.**

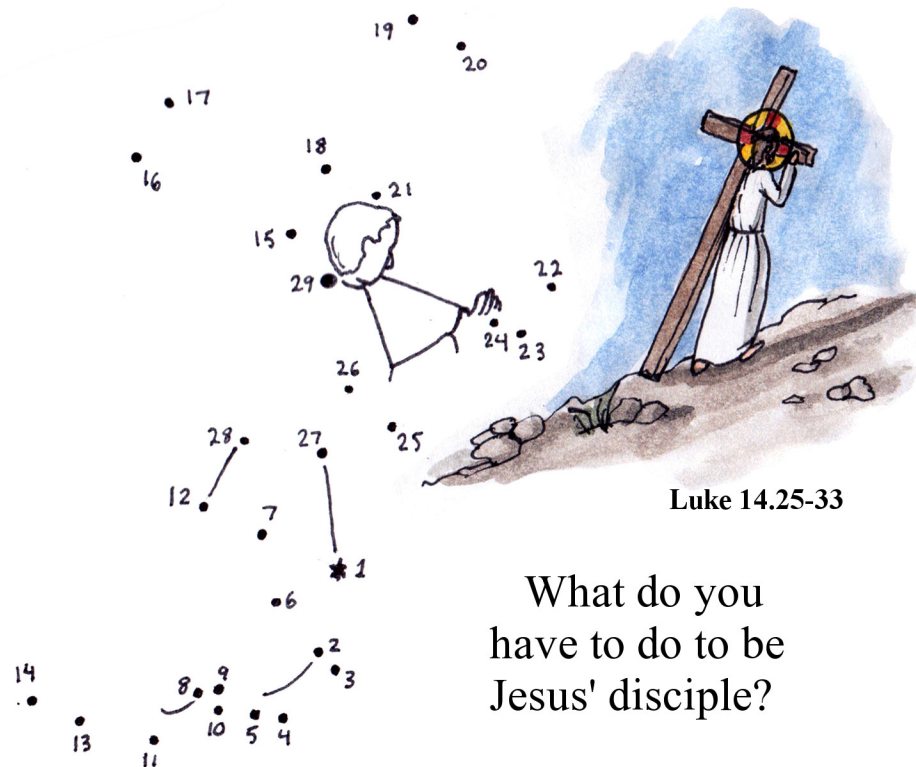


Answer to Word-Find:  
We ask God for His mercy.

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

# The Kids' Bulletin

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 7th, 2025



Luke 14.25-33

What do you have to do to be Jesus' disciple?

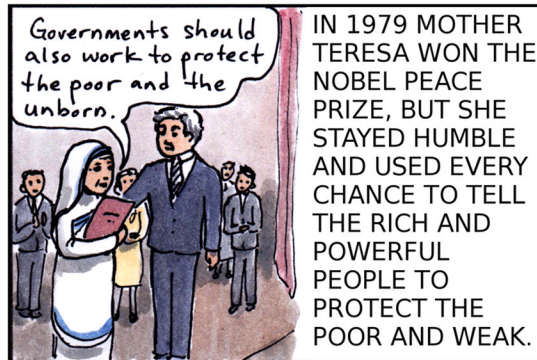
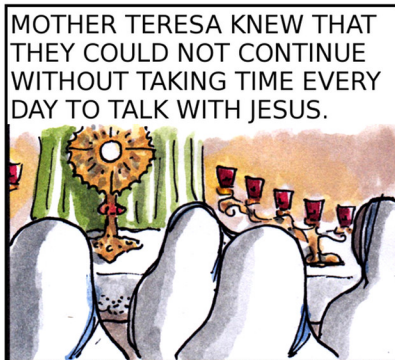
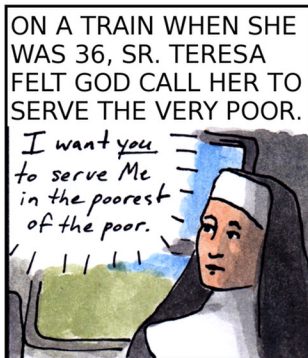
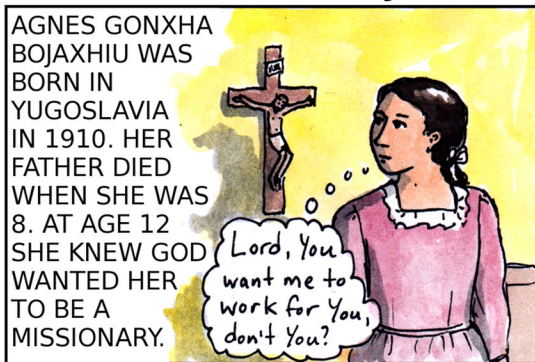
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*Tomorrow is Our Lady's Birthday!  
What can your family do to celebrate Mary's Birthday?*



# Saint Teresa of Calcutta

## September 5



SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA DIED ON SEPTEMBER 5TH, 1997. WE CAN LEARN FROM HER TO DEFEND AND HELP THOSE WHO CAN'T HELP THEMSELVES, ESPECIALLY THE POOR AND UNBORN CHILDREN. WE ALSO LEARN FROM HER EXAMPLE THAT WE NEED TO SPEND TIME IN PRAYER WITH JESUS EVERY DAY.

# Psalm 90 Word-Find

F W S A T I S F Y E E  
A S W A H E A R T S V  
D E E M O R N I N G E  
E R E K U L O V E L N  
S V P R S O G O D A I  
R A Y E A R S G F D N  
E N O J N D R R H P G  
N T I O D R E A M I A  
E S N I G H T S S T W  
W A T C H M E S R Y A  
E C Y E S T E R D A Y  
D A Y S Y W I S D O M

See if you can find all the words from today's Psalm that are written in CAPITALS.

The leftover letters tell what we are doing when we pray this Psalm.



A THOUSAND YEARS in thy sight are but as YESTERDAY when it is past, or as a WATCH in the NIGHT.

Thou dost SWEEP men AWAY; they are like a DREAM, like GRASS which is RENEWED in the morning: in the MORNING it flourishes and is renewed; in the EVENING it FADES and withers.

So teach us to number our DAYS that we may get a HEART of WISDOM. Return, O LORD! How long? Have PITY on thy SERVANTS!

SATISFY us in the morning with thy steadfast LOVE, that we may REJOICE and be GLAD all our days.