



Welcome! Bienvenidos! St. Theresa Catholic Church

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St. Theresa is a home that welcomes, a charity that nourishes, a church that evangelizes and a community where friends can meet.

DAILY MASS

Monday—Saturday
8:30 am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm
(Spanish) 6:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 am
9:00 am
11:00 am

Nov.—Easter 5:00 pm

ROSARY

Mon-Sat 7:50 am
Sunday 6:50 am

ANOINTING (SICK)

Weekend Masses—as needed

CONFESSION

Tuesday: 12:00-12:30 pm
Saturday: 9:00—9:30 am
or call for appointment

HOLY COMMUNION

(sick & homebound)
Call Parish Office

EMERGENCY SICK CALLS FUNERALS

CALL 352-245-2458

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

8am—4 pm M-Th

8 am—Noon Fri

SOUP KITCHEN

11 am—1:00 pm Daily

FOOD PANTRY

9 am—12:00 pm M-F

SOCIAL SERVICES

MONDAY—FRIDAY

9 am—1 pm

THRIFT SHOP

MONDAY—SATURDAY

9 am—2:30 pm

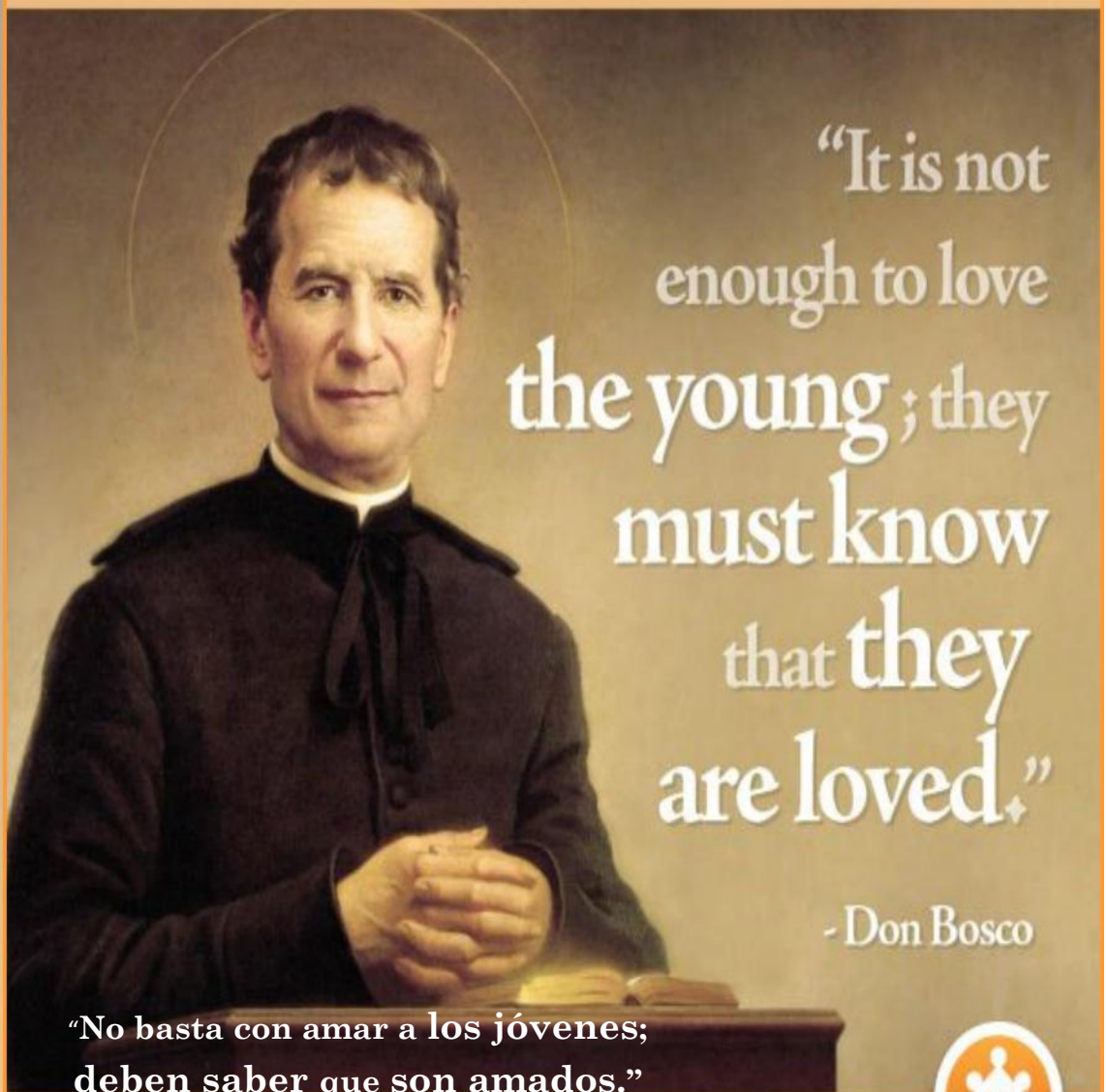
GIFT SHOP

Saturday &
Sunday (after weekend
Masses)

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2025

Feast of Saint John “Don” Bosco—January 31, 2025



- Don Bosco

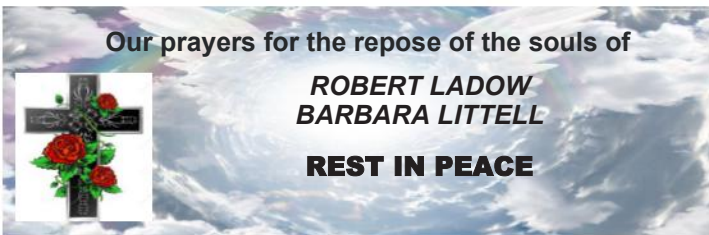


It's Worth the Drive (Vale la pena el viaje)

St. Theresa Catholic Church



Sat JAN 25	FOR	REQUESTED BY
8:30 am	† Sandra Grabczynski	Mary Stolinski
4:00 pm	† Myers & Angelino Families	Barbara Angelino
6:00 pm (español)	St Theresa Parishioners	
Sun JAN 26		
7:30 am	† David Shelby	Joe & Laura DiLoreto
9:00 am	St. Theresa Parishioners	
11:00 am	† Ann Warren	Dora Bermudez
5:00 pm	Bill Wade—Special Intentions	Marty & Sheri Wade
Mon JAN 27		
8:30 am	† William Knapp	Peter Knapp
Tues JAN 28		
8:30 am	Loretta Montalto & Vicki Alvey—Special Intentions	Audrey Merkel
Wed JAN 29		
8:30 am	Alice Youtsey & Bea Manzella—Special Intentions	Audrey Merkel
Thurs JAN 30		
8:30 am	† Margaret Knapp	Peter Knapp
Fri JAN 31		
8:30 am	† Dave Reiter	Jane Reiter
Sat FEB 1		
8:30 am	† James Hunter	Christine Wessinger
	† Laura Barry	Julie Barry
4:00 pm	† Deceased Members of K of C Council 8012 & Assembly 2068	Knights of Columbus
6:00 pm (español)	† Jose Rovira	Loretta Montalto & Vicki Alvey
Sun FEB 2		
7:30 am	† Chester Cetlinski	Barbara Cetlinski
	Scouts of America	Chris Standish
9:00 am	† Walter Lotz	Ruth Schreiner
11:00 am	St. Theresa Parishioners	
5:00 pm		



Mark Your Calendars
UPCOMING EVENTS
 Próximos Eventos

Date / Time	Event	Location
Sat-Sun. Jan 25— 26	PRAYER WARRIORS	Outside Church
Tues. Jan 28 9:30 am	LAY CARMELITES	Quad
Tues. Jan 28 & Feb 4 1:00 pm	PRAYING THE MASS—Fr. Jim	Library
Sun. Feb 2 All Masses	NAME TAG / GROCERY SUNDAY	Church
Fri. Feb 7 8:00 am	YOUNG AT HEART MASS & POT LUCK BREAKFAST	Church / Parish Hall
Sun. Feb 9 6:15 pm	SUPER BOWL PARTY	Parish Hall
Sun. Feb 16 11:00 am	ANNIVERSARY MASS AND LUNCHEON	Church / Parish Hall
Tues. Feb 28 1:00 pm	“ASK YOUR PRIEST....” - Fr. Jim	Library

YOUNG AT HEART MINISTRY



Please join us on Friday, **February 7th** for the first meeting of the **Young at Heart Ministry**. This is for all parishioners age 55 and over.

We will begin by worshipping together at the 8:30 Mass. Mass will be followed by a **breakfast potluck in the Parish Hall**. **Bring your favorite dish to share**, and enjoy fellowship with other "young at heart"

CALLING ALL PRAYER WARRIORS!

We are seeking prayer warriors to join us in offering prayers to individuals after weekend Masses.



Beginning on the weekend of **January 25th and 26th**, prayer warriors will stand outside the church, ready to pray over individuals seeking comfort, healing, or support. If you're interested in being part of this meaningful ministry, please call the Parish Office for details. Together, let's share God's love and hope through prayer!

FUNERAL SCHEDULE

Sat. Jan 25	10:00 AM	BARBARA LITTELL
Mon. Jan 27	10:00 AM	ROBERT LADOW



FROM FATHER TOM



A view from on deck of a sailing ship sailing between islands.

The first mate on a ship decided to celebrate with a bit of stowed-away rum. He got so drunk that he was still a little drunk the next morning. Later in the day, when the first mate had sobered up, he looked in the ship's log. He read the captain's entry for the day:

"The first mate was drunk today. "Captain, please don't leave that in the log," the mate said. "This could add months or years to my becoming a captain myself."

"Well, is it true?" asked the captain, knowing full well it was. "Yes, it's true," admitted the mate. "If it's true, it has to stay in the log. That's the rule. If it's true, it goes in the log. End of discussion!" said the captain sternly.

Weeks later, it was the first mate's turn to make the log entry. The first mate wrote: "The ship seems to be in good shape. The captain was sober today."

We probably all fall into the habit of gossiping. It doesn't make it right. Words hurt. Words can destroy. They are displeasing to God. United States radio host *Bernard Meltzer* ran an advice call-in show from 1967 through the 1990s. Bernard is accredited with the following quote: "Before you speak, ask yourself if what you are going to say is true, is it kind, is it necessary, is it helpful. If the answer is no, maybe what you are about to say should be left unsaid."

Good advice. Sometimes we convince ourselves that if what we are saying is true, then we have the right to say it. Actually, no. It makes it worse. If it were not true, one could deny it. Better we follow St. Paul's advice: "*Never let evil talk pass your lips; say only the good things men need to hear, things that will really help them.*" [Ephesians 4:29](#)

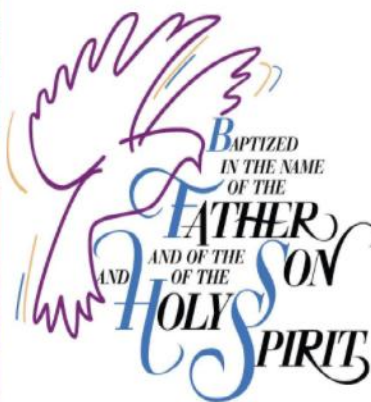
In this **Jubilee Year of Mercy**, let's make **2025** the year we are most merciful with our speech.

Love and Blessings, Fr. Tom

I had the privilege of baptizing Hyatt and Hayes!! God is good!



Triple Baptism Blessing!!! Anna, Henry and Sara!! God is good!



SUPER BOWL PARTY SUNDAY! — FEBRUARY 9, 2025

You are cordially invited to join our Sunday guests for our all-out Super Bowl party on **Sunday, February 9th**. We will have a splendid array of food but we need you to call and reserve your spot so we have enough. No need to sit alone at home.

Sunday, February 9th **Doors open at Parish Hall at 6:15 pm.**

RSVP: Please call and reserve by **Wednesday, February 5th**. Thank you.

JUBILEO 2025

PEREGRINOS DE LA ESPERANZA



DEL PADRE TOM



Vista desde la cubierta de un velero que navega entre islas.

El primer oficial de un barco decidió celebrarlo con un poco de ron de polizón. Se emborrachó tanto que a la mañana siguiente todavía estaba un poco borracho. Más tarde, cuando se le pasó la borrachera, miró el diario de a bordo. Leyó la anotación del capitán: «El primer oficial estaba borracho hoy. «Capitán, por favor, no deje eso en el diario», dijo el oficial. «Esto podría añadir meses o años a que yo mismo me convierta en capitán».

«Bueno, ¿es verdad?», preguntó el capitán, sabiendo perfectamente que lo era. «Sí, es verdad», admitió el oficial. «Si es verdad, tiene que permanecer en el cuaderno de bitácora. Esa es la regla. Si es verdad, se queda en el cuaderno de bitácora. Fin de la discusión», dijo el capitán con severidad.

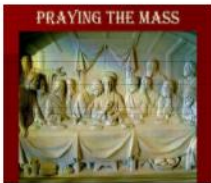
Semanas más tarde, le tocó al primer oficial hacer la anotación en el cuaderno de bitácora. El primer oficial escribió: «El barco parece estar en buena forma. El capitán estaba sobrio hoy».

Probablemente todos caemos en el hábito de cotillear. No por ello es correcto. Las palabras hieren. Las palabras pueden destruir. Son desagradables a Dios. El locutor de radio Bernard Meltzer dirigió un programa de consejos desde 1967 hasta la década de 1990. A Bernard se le atribuye la siguiente cita: «Antes de hablar, pregúntate si lo que vas a decir es verdad, si es amable, si es necesario, si es útil. Si la respuesta es no, quizá lo que vas a decir no deberías decirlo».

Un buen consejo. A veces nos convencemos de que si lo que decimos es cierto, tenemos derecho a decirlo. En realidad, no. Eso lo empeora. Si no fuera verdad, uno podría negarlo. Mejor sigamos el consejo de San Pablo: «No dejes nunca que pase de tus labios una mala palabra; di sólo las cosas buenas que los hombres necesitan oír, cosas que realmente les ayuden». Efesios 4, 29

En este **Año Jubilar de la Misericordia**, hagamos que **2025** sea el año en que seamos más misericordiosos con nuestra palabra.

Amor y bendiciones, Padre Tom



Praying the Mass

We, as Catholics, know what the ritual is for Mass. We do things over and over again. When the Priests says “Let us pray”, we stand up. But why do these gestures and postures over and over again? Now is your chance to understand the Mass and how to recognize the value of the Holy Sacrifice.



Join **Father Jim** in the Library on **Tuesday, January 28th & February 4th** at 1:00 pm for answers to Making Holy the gestures, postures, the why & the purpose of the things we do: from the sign of the Cross, how the Mass & the Bible are so deeply connected... Then on **Tuesday, February 25th** at 1:00 pm will be a session on: **Ask your priest... Any topic of interest...**

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO REGISTER FOR THESE FREE SESSIONS AS ROOM IS LIMITED.

United Way of Marion County



Take Advantage of Vita's Free Income Tax Service

Tax season can be stressful, but Vita is here to help! Our free tax service is designed to assist individuals and families in our community with their tax preparation needs. Whether you need help filing your taxes or have questions about your return, our experienced team is ready to provide the support you need. Our offices at **St. Theresa's** are open from **8:30 AM- 12:00PM** and from **1:00PM to 2:30PM every Tuesday**.

Appointments are necessary. Please make your own appointment on-line at **UWMC.ORG/VITA**. Just bring your ID and tax documents, and we'll take care of the rest.



St. Theresa's Annual Anniversary Mass and Luncheon
Sunday, February 16, 2025
Hosted by the Ladies Guild

Married couples, who will be celebrating their **25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th** anniversary or beyond, during 2025, are invited to attend the **11:00 Mass on February 16** to be recognized and blessed. A luncheon will be served following the Mass in the Parish Hall.

Please **sign-up by Friday, February 7 in the Parish Office**. If you would like your wedding photo to be displayed, please write your name and phone number on the back, and bring to the Parish Office by **Friday, February 14**.

My Take



Have you ever sent an email or text and then wished you could get it back? For example, one Mother sent a group message to her kids saying, “daddy’s in heaven” and forgot to attach the picture of the new boat! I’ve been lucky where I haven’t dreaded something I’ve inadvertently sent out, other than a flocknote which should have been scheduled for a later date release.



Do you have a mailbox for God in your home? You can make a little box or take an old gift box, decorate it, and put God’s mailbox on the side. Set the box so it cannot be opened by anyone. At the top, put a small slit so a piece of paper can be put inside. When any member of the family has a bad day or has something on their mind, they can write to God and give him your worries.

Now if you prefer, you can even go online and write a note to God at <https://godsemailbox.com/give-your-worries-to-god/>. The worries put online are not kept. Give your worry to God. If you notice someone in church having a rough time, write them a note and hand it to them at the end of mass. What a beautiful way to show someone else sees you and is praying for you.

Most of us have gotten a chain email from supposedly God stating that we needed to pray, and we needed to forward the email to at least 10 people and you would receive a blessing. I guess someone decided they wanted to be the spokesperson for God. I don’t forward these emails, I rather send out something that is more genuine coming from my heart. Besides, I know where I can find the word of God anytime, I want to read what he wants to tell me. I just have to pick up the book, the Bible.

Marcia Wheatley, Operations Manager



Mission Circle Inc is planning trips to Cuba in **March** and **April**. We are again asking you, parishioners of St Theresa, to help us gather supplies to take. You have been

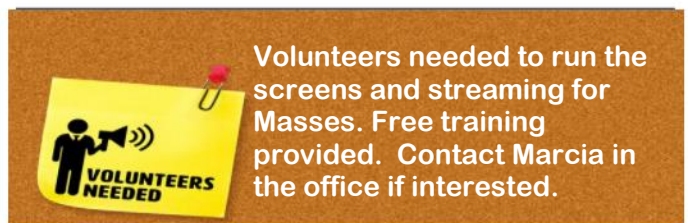
wonderful partners in this project. Conditions continue to worsen in Cuba. Food is very expensive when it can be found. These are the items that we are requesting; please bring your donations to church by **Sunday, March 9th**:

- Powdered milk
- Oatmeal
- Foil packs of tuna (not cans—too heavy)
- Dry soup packets
- Packets of hot chocolate mix
- Powdered eggs
- Foils packs chicken (not cans)
- Foil packs SPAM (not cans)
- Dried fruit: cranberries, raisins, other
- Nuts
- Cookies
- Peanut butter or cheese crackers
- Rehydration powder like Propel in small packets
- Hard candy and caramels

THRIFT STORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Our Thrift store is in need of volunteers. Positions include: working the register, assisting with checkouts, collections, sorting, pricing, placing items. Every contribution helps us make a big impact. Stop by the store and speak with our store manager, about getting started. Our hours are Monday through Saturday, 9 AM to 2:30 PM.



THE SANCTUARY LAMP IS LIT FOR
Amy Ottke
February 1—7, 2025
From: *Sheri & Marty*



AN ADORATION CANDLE IS LIT FOR
THE CHOINIÈRE FAMILY
Month of FEBRUARY 2025
From: *Joni Choiniere*

Mí opinión



¿Alguna vez enviaste un correo electrónico o un mensaje de texto y luego deseaste poder recuperarlo? Por ejemplo, una madre envió un mensaje grupal a sus hijos diciendo: "Papá está en el cielo" y se olvidó de adjuntar la foto del nuevo barco. He tenido suerte de no temer algo que envié sin darme cuenta, aparte de una nota de rebaño que debería haber sido programada para una publicación posterior.

¿Tienes un buzón para Dios en tu casa? Puedes hacer una cajita o tomar una caja de regalo vieja, decorarla y poner el buzón de Dios a un lado. Configure la caja para que nadie pueda abrirla. En la parte superior, haz una pequeña hendidura para poder meter un trozo de papel dentro. Cuando algún miembro de la familia tiene un mal día o tiene algo en la cabeza, puede escribirle a Dios y contarle sus preocupaciones.

Ahora, si lo prefieres, puedes incluso conectarte y escribir una nota a Dios en <https://godsemmailbox.com/give-your-worries-to-god/>. Las preocupaciones puestas en línea no se mantienen. Entrega tu preocupación a Dios. Si notas que alguien en la iglesia está pasando por un momento difícil, escríbele una nota y entrégasela al final de la misa. Qué hermosa manera de mostrarle a alguien más que te ve y está orando por ti.

La mayoría de nosotros hemos recibido un correo electrónico en cadena de supuestamente Dios que nos dice que necesitábamos orar y que necesitábamos reenviar el correo electrónico a al menos 10 personas y recibiríamos una bendición. Supongo que alguien decidió que quería ser el portavoz de Dios. No reenvío estos correos electrónicos, prefiero enviar algo más genuino que salga de mi corazón. Además sé dónde puedo encontrar la palabra de Dios en cualquier momento, quiero leer lo que él quiere decirme. Sólo tengo que coger el libro, la Biblia.

Marcia Wheatley, Gerente de Operaciones

NAME TAG / GROCERY SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 2, 2025



Get to know your fellow parishioners! We will have **Name Tag Sunday** every 1st weekend of each month. If you have a name tag from any group you belong to, please wear it.



Please help our **Food Pantry** fill the increasing need of our community by donating food items, especially the first weekend of each month. You can bring items to the church before or after Masses.



When a loved one dies, it can feel like you are all alone and that few people understand how painful and isolating this can be. The Grief Share Group meets on **Wednesdays at 2:00 pm** at St. Theresa's. For more information

call **Deacon Dan Pallo** at **352-391-9338** or email to deacondan2007@gmail.com. Also visit the Grief Share website at griefshare.org to get more information and register. Come and join us.

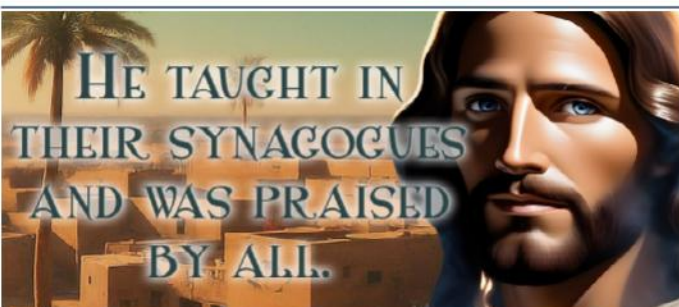
LOST & FOUND



We have many items in our Lost & Found storage—including MK Backpack, Sunglasses, Chapel Veils, Eyeglasses, Black Thermos, Keys, Rosaries & more. To check for your lost items, please call the Parish Office (352) 245-2458.

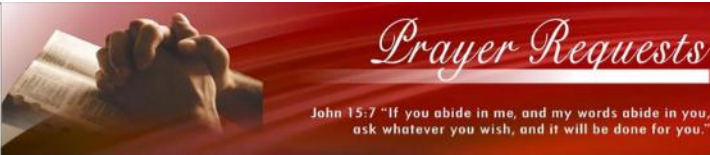
St. Theresa Prayer Hotline (24/7)

(352) 496-1569



3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2025



"Father God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today, we ask that you would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. In Jesus' name, Amen!" Call the Office to make changes.

Roger Anderson	Rosemary Gurick	Timothy Ross
Nancy Bauer	Sammy Harris	Francine Sothen
Jesse Benoit	Catherine Howden	Lori Spurlock
Denise Billeter	Shirley Laurie	Frances Stonewell Family
Peggy Bulson	Joanne Metzger	Eleanor Sullivan
Lilly Chimenti	Genevieve Nix	Pam & Paul Sullivan
Lucy DeLuca	Jane Oelstrom	Sandra Sutter
Gene Dever	Gary Pearson	Diana Taliercio
Mike Devost	Don Pellegrino	Dot Usrey
Eric Duchesne	Jeremy Perkins	Joan Ward
Kelly Forti	Carolyn Roberto	Alice Youtsey
Julie Grosner		John Zaborny



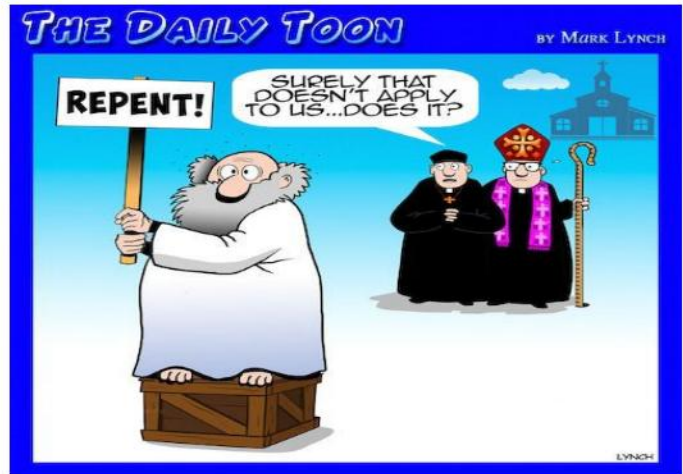
Week Ending January 19, 2025

Offertory:	\$13,906.48
Project Growth:	\$ 1,978.50
Soup Kitchen:	\$ 1,998.50
Social Services:	\$ 1,031.50
Thrift Store:	\$ 8,334.36



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