



# Saint Therese Parish Community

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## Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 8:30am to 4:00pm  
 (Closed during the lunch hour, noon until 12:30)  
 Wednesday noon to 7:30pm, closed from 4:00 to 4:30 pm  
 Closed on Friday

## Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM Sunday: 8:00am & 10:00am  
 Tuesday: 8:00am and Friday: 7:30am  
 Liturgy of the Word with Communion:  
 Wednesday & Thursday: 8:00am  
 There is no Morning Service on Monday  
 Holy Day Schedules printed inside bulletin

## Reconciliation/Confessions

1st Saturday of the Month 4:15 to 4:45pm

## Parish Staff

**Parish Director**  
**Dr. Alexandra Guliano** 771-2500  
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**Assisting Priest**  
 Rev. Hugh Birdsall, SDS

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 Rev. Norm Oswald

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 Dan Hubrich

**Ministers**  
 All the Members of the Parish

Health & Wholeness Ministry will offer blood pressure screening after the Saturday 5:00pm and between the Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am Masses the second weekend of each month. If you are interested, go to the last pew near the Bluemound entrance.

*We are Saint Therese Catholic Church, a community of believers who walk together by faith in Christ Jesus and strive hand-in-hand to live as God's people.*

### Parish Membership

We warmly welcome those who wish to become parish members. The Parish Office hours are listed above. Volunteers are also in the Parish Office after the Sunday liturgies to assist you.

### Weddings

Planning and preparation for the celebration of Marriage may take six months or more. Please call the Parish Office before making any other commitments for a specific wedding date.

### Anointing of the Sick

Offered after any weekend Mass and celebrated after all weekend Masses the second weekend of the month in the Chapel. Also by request; please call the Parish Office.

### Baptisms

Baptisms are celebrated within Mass on a designated Sunday. Baptismal preparation required. One or both members of the couple must be a registered parishioner for at least six months. Please call the Parish Office for more details. **Please call the Parish Office to let us know whenever a new member of your family arrives.**

**Federal Privacy Regulation — HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act)** — prohibits all hospitals from informing churches of a patient's presence unless the patient gives permission for the hospital to do so. If you are admitted to a hospital and would like remembrance in prayer or a pastoral visit, please call the Parish Office.

### Parish Council Members

The Parish Council meets the first Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm.

<b>Trustee</b> Dennis Ferger	(414) 778-2028	Brittaney Check	(414) 476-9166
<b>Trustee</b> Mari Pavleje	(414) 545-2733	Suzanne Goodacre	(414) 475-5062
<b>Chairperson</b> Kathy Hubrich	(414) 259-1961	Alice Kennedy	(414) 771-8147
<b>Vice Chairperson</b> Jack Carini	(414) 456-1762	Nancy Radomski	(414) 453-3788
<b>Secretary</b> Jan Eno	(414) 258-3477	Christine Reinders	(414) 607-8847
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~ Please remember Saint Therese Parish in your will ! ~

**FROM THE DESK OF THE PARISH DIRECTOR:**

This weekend is Catechetical Weekend! Catholic parishes throughout our country "kick-off" their Christian Formation efforts this weekend by celebrating the central importance of formation in faith and praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our various formation programs and processes.

In the past, formation programs focused almost entirely on youth and young children. Since the renewal and reforms of Vatican II (over forty years ago), the focus has shifted and expanded to the whole community, that is, all the people of the parish. This shift can be compared to what has occurred in our liturgy. At one time, all that was needed to celebrate the Eucharist was an ordained priest and at least one other person (usually an altar server). Now, a full complement of liturgical ministers are needed to celebrate the Eucharist and other liturgical celebrations! The shift was from a few people to the entire assembly, the entire faith community called "the parish."

We kick off whole community catechesis this weekend with a fun activity--the parish talent show on Sunday evening, Sept. 17th in Heck Hall. Please come and enjoy!

While this catechetical program is new for us at St. Therese, it is not new for the church. Faith formation begins first in the community of the family and extended family, then in the parish community, and, hopefully, throughout one's life in many other contexts (school, committees/groups, ministries).

Each month, beginning in October, we will gather to share a meal, learn about a topic of our faith (this year our focus is The Liturgical Year), engage in age-appropriate activities (from pre-school through senior citizens), and prayer together. Take Home Kits will be given so that the learning can continue through the month.

Yes, this is a change from the way we used to do catechetics. Several of our district parishes and parishes throughout the country have moved to this model of catechesis. It is faith formation for everyone. Please give it a try. Sign up for "Living As God's People" and catch the spirit of growing in faith.

Thank you to Marian Lamoureux and the many people who are working on the various teams to produce this program--the Core Team; the Design Team, and the Implementation Team.

God be with you!

*Dr. Alexandra Guliano*

**Banns of Matrimony**

Kari Egan and Nicholas Obrachta will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage on September 24, 2006 at Nativity of the Lord Parish in Cudahy, WI.



Often times we fail to see the blessings in our lives... for in the midst of our own pain, we fail

to realize that God has never left our side; He's just a prayer away... and when we trust Him with our needs, our troubles will soon fade. Let's not forget to look above with thanks and gratitude... no matter what the future holds, the Lord is there for you.

*Know that the Lord works wonders for the faithful; the Lord hears when I call out. Psalm 4:4*

Your prayers are requested for:

- Margaret Anderson \* Lenore Black \* Art Bonk
- Dave Burch \* Mackenzie Clark-Miller \* Mary Cosimi
- David Dane \* Frank & Gertrude Eskra \* Margaret Esor
- Ann Farell \* Chi Gong \* Lynn Gordon \* Karl Henn
- Sue Gritzmacher \* Angie Hillyer \* Bill Hoppenjan
- Garnet Jankowski \* Ginny Kopischke \* Ann Lackovic
- Gregory Lackovic \* Millie Metz Carmella Milazzo
- Andy Moehr \* Pat Nicholas \* Richard Quinn
- Leda More \* Bernice Padol \* Judy Rahn \* Eva Stabl
- Barbara Schmitz \* Carlene Siever \* Ann O'Neill
- Paula Skrogot \* Marion Stabo \* Mary Stoke
- Roberta Tiedemann \* Joanne Weiss \* Leona Woods

**55+ Social Club**

Reservations and money for the October 12th luncheon are due on Monday, October 9th. Lunch consists of baked chicken and ham, german-style potato salad, coleslaw, etc, at a cost of \$7.50 per person. Song Stylist Jan Peters will entertain with the music of the late country star, Patsy Cline. Call Barb Heinz at the Parish Office for reservations.

**Parish Staff News**

Welcome to Toni Hirschfeld, our new Bookkeeper. Toni began ministry with us on Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2006. She will be working 20 hours per week, generally the morning and early afternoon hours. Toni and her husband, Ron, have two children, Billy and Anne, and are parishioners at Holy Apostles Church in New Berlin. Please welcome Toni to St. Therese.

**Thank You!**

—to Tim Schwaller and the St. Therese Camping

Committee for organizing the August St. Therese Camping Trip at Mukwonago County Park.

—to Father Norm for presiding at mass at the campground on Saturday evening on August 25th.

—to Alice Kennedy and Alyce Breitweiser who coordinated Father Hugh's 50th Anniversary registration and volunteer process and to all the volunteers who set up, served, and cleaned up afterward!

**Serve as Sacristan**

We are in need of a few volunteer ministers to be Sacristans who keep the sacristy stocked and in good order. To volunteer, please call the Office and leave your name and number.

**September 17th — 24th, 2006**



**Sunday, September 17th**

9:10 am Praise Band & Choirs (Church)  
7:00 pm St. Therese Has Talent! (Heck Hall)

**Monday, September 18th**

No Meetings Scheduled

**Tuesday, September 19th**

9:30 am LGP Core Team (STR)

**Wednesday, September 20th**

7:30 pm Praise Band (Church)  
7:30 pm Choir (APR)

**Thursday, September 21st — PRAYER DAY**

8:30 am - 6:30 pm Prayer Day (chapel)  
7:00 pm Public Forum (HH)  
8:00 pm SVdP Meeting (2nd Fl.)

**Friday, September 22nd**

No Meetings Scheduled

**Saturday, September 23rd**

No Meetings Scheduled

**Sunday, September 24th**

9:10 am Praise Band & Choirs (Church)

**FROM FATHER HUGH BIRDSALL:**

I teach a course on grief at Sacred Heart School of Theology (SHST). I give my students the assignment of conducting a video-taped interview with someone who has experienced the death of a loved one or some other significant loss within the last year or so. The taped interview would take place at SHST. If you would be interested and willing to be interviewed, please inform me after Mass, or call me at (414) 525-1935. Please note that this phone number has been corrected from previous bulletins.

The St. Therese Women's Book Club has chosen the book Blessings by Anne Quinlan. This is a fictional story about a family whose last name is the title of the book. We will meet on Saturday, October 7th at 9:30 am. All are invited!



Join us as we journey to Holy Hill on Wednesday, October 25th. We leave St. Therese at 9:30am and leave Holy Hill to return at 2:00pm. Mass will be celebrated at 11am followed by a presentation by Holy Hill staff detailing its history and that of the Carmelite order. Lunch, a chicken dinner with all the trimmings, will be served at the Old Monastery Inn Café right at Holy Hill. After lunch, there will be time to enjoy the beauty of the grottoes and, or if you wish, you may want to pay a visit to the gift shop. The cost for tour bus transportation and lunch is \$25 per person. Reservations and money are due by October 12th. Call Barb Heinz at the office for more information. All are welcome!

**Feast of St. Therese October 1st**

The feast of our patron, St. Therese is a few weeks away--the

weekend on Sept. 30/Oct. 1st. This year we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Communal Anointing of the Sick at the 8am mass only. If you wish to be anointed during mass, please come to the 8am mass. Three priests will be available to administer this sacrament.

We will offer hospitality after the masses if there are people willing to coordinate it. If you would like to serve the parish community in this way, please call the parish office and indicate which mass time you are willing to serve. Maybe you are unable to help in another ministry, but you can help this one-time event.



**Catholic Stewardship Appeal Update**

As of September 1, 2006, 211 St. Therese Parish members have contributed \$28,806 to the 2006 Catholic Stewardship Appeal toward our goal of \$33,500. 43% of our parish

membership has donated toward 86% of our goal. \$4,694 left to reach our goal. Thanks to all who have contributed to the support of our archdiocesan ministries.

**PARISHIONER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION**

What parishioner at St. Therese continually enriches our community? Perhaps an individual that makes worship at St. Therese more meaningful? An individual "behind the scenes" that has St. Therese's Mission close to their heart?

On October 1st, our parish will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese. To mark this occasion, our St. Therese family will honor a Parishioner of the Year! Nominations are necessary for this mark of distinction, and your suggestions are needed.

Please complete the nomination form and return it to St. Therese Parish Office or by dropping it in the collection basket by September 17th, 2006.

**Parishioner of the Year Nomination Form**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comment:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comment:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Readings for the Week of September 17th, 2006**

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35
- Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7:11-17
- Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 7:31-35
- Thursday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13
- Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3
- Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15

**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37



**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF September 19th**

**Tuesday, September 19th**

- 7:45 am Mother of Perpetual Help Prayers
- 8:00 am †Abby Bunzel

**Wednesday, September 20th**

- 7:45 am Rosary before Liturgy
- 8:00 am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

**Thursday, September 21st**

- 7:45 am Rosary before Liturgy
- 8:00 am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

**Friday, September 22nd**

- 7:30 am †Anna Becker

**Saturday, September 23rd**

- 5:00 pm †Gordon Fabry

**Sunday, September 24th**

- 8:00 am People of St. Therese Parish Community and †Martha B. Pendleton
- 10:00am †Frida Bippus

**September Sizzle for Married Couples**

This evening is for couples interested in enriching and adding a "sizzle" to their relationship. Every marriage can benefit from listening, sharing and prioritizing the relationship. This enrichment opportunity will incorporate the "Date Your Mate" program and other resources to help your marriage grow. Take a few hours out of your busy schedule to spend time with your spouse. Two sessions are offered: Wednesday, September 20th, from 6:45 - 9:30pm at St. James Parish in Menominee Falls, or Monday, September 25th, from 6:45 - 9:30pm at Sacred Heart School of Theology in Hales Corners. **Registration is required.**

The cost is \$10 per couple. If you have any questions, please contact Marie Grevsmuehl, Associate Director of Marriage and Family Ministry at (414) 769-3441 or [grevsmuehlm@archmil.org](mailto:grevsmuehlm@archmil.org).



**DISTRICT FIVE FORUM**

MICAH is emphasizing the *Holy Ground* campaign in 2006. *Holy Ground* is an organizing tool to engage people of faith in relationships with the community surrounding the congregation. When congregations declare *Holy Ground* they make a public declaration on their faith and values that they will organize to create a healthy community. *Holy Ground* is not an issue in and of itself. It is a tactic to resolve issues. Although each congregation claims their own boundaries and works to address issues that are important in their community, the power comes in the collective action of congregations who make a public declaration.

St. Therese is making a declaration of *Holy Ground* by convening a Public Forum for the two candidates for the 5<sup>th</sup> District seat in the State Senate: James Sullivan, and the incumbent, Tom Reynolds. The Forum will be held on Thursday, Sept. 21 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in Heck Hall. The Forum is co-sponsored by MICAH/SOPHIA 5<sup>th</sup> District congregations. All are welcome. Bring a friend, and questions for the candidates.

Thank You!

**CHURCH SUPPORT September 9th/10th, 2006**

<u>Envelopes/Offertory</u> <b>\$6541.55</b>	<u>Sharing Sunday</u> <b>\$1600.00</b>
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**AN EVENING WITH ST. THERESE (the saint)!**

An internationally recognized expert on St. Therese, the young Carmelite nun who is our parish's patron saint, will be giving a presentation on St. Therese here at the parish next month as part of our 50th Anniversary celebration.

Dr. Keith J. Egan, professor emeritus at St. Mary's College in South Bend, Indiana, will present *Therese Martin: A Bold Young Woman*, on Thursday, October 26, at 7 pm. His multimedia discussion will examine who Therese was and how her spirituality both reflects her family and the culture of 19th-century French Catholicism and transcends the specifics of her life to speak to us as a Catholic community in southeastern Wisconsin in the 21st century.

Dr. Egan, who was a member of St. Therese parish some years ago while on the faculty of Marquette University, holds the Aquinas chair in theology at St. Mary's and has written on John of the Cross, Teresa of Avila, Carmelite Prayer, and the theologian Karl Rahner.

As part of his talk, we'll have copies of a new edition of St. Therese's autobiography available; we're hoping everyone in the parish will read this book for a "St. Therese Reads" discussion after the first of the year.

**25th or 50th Year Anniversary Celebration**

If you were married in 1981 or 1956, congratulations on your Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary! Couple married longer than 55 years are also welcome to this celebration. The Mass of Thanksgiving, presided by Bishop Richard Sklba, will begin at 10:30am on Saturday, October 7, 2006 at Mater Christi Chapel of the Cousins Center and continue with lunch and a reception. Reservations are due by Friday, Sept. 22, 2006. Cost is \$55 per couple. To make reservations or if you have any questions, please contact Linda King at (414) 769-3442, ext. 442 or [kingl@archmil.org](mailto:kingl@archmil.org).

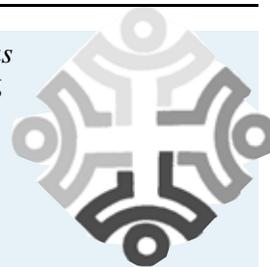
## Living as God's People

This week, we are kicking off our intergenerational program, *Living as God's People*. We will introduce all of those who have been working many months to bring this to St. Therese Parish. It takes many hands and many different types of gifts to bring this to fruition. This

Sunday evening, September 17<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate our new beginning with something from the past, a talent show, "St. Therese Has Talent!" Please join us!

Our first session, held on October 12 from 6-9 on and October 15 from 11:30-2:30 pm will focus on "Saints – The Ordinary and the Extraordinary." We will all enjoy an Italian meal --utilizing the cooking gifts of Dr. Guliano. After this, we'll take part in some engaging activities that will help us all learn more about our rich heritage of saints in the Catholic Church, especially the saints of the parishes in our area. We will close with prayer and a look at our Home Kit that will help you continue the learning at home.

Please, join us for this groundbreaking experience! You can sign up for all of the sessions, or just come to the ones you'd like. For adults, the cost is only \$8.00 per person for 1 event, or only \$50 for all 9 events—a real bargain for spending some quality time with the people you love! Families with children may register using a form which will be available after masses. Either way, we invite you to give us a try in October! Please return this form to the parish office or in the collection basket.



### Reservation Form – Living as God's People October

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**I/we will attend on:**

- Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 6 - 9 pm      **OR**       Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 - 2:30pm
- A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- I will bring a check to the October session.
- I can help with registration and check-in
- I can help serve the dinner
- I can help lead a session for children and families

### PARISH OFFICE IN/OUT BOX RELOCATED

If you need to leave something for the Parish Office or Staff when you are at church over the weekend, please note that there are "in and out" boxes in the sacristy for this purpose. When you leave off an item, please make sure it is labeled appropriately. Also, please note that the Parish Council and every parish committee/group has a mailbox in the sacristy. Let's keep working on effective communications.

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS FOR SEPTEMBER – MAY

We have resumed Wednesday evening hours as of Wednesday, September 6, 2006. The Parish Office will be open Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, from 8:30am to 4:00pm and Wednesdays from 12 noon to 7:30pm. Please note that the Parish Office is not open on Wednesday mornings during the months of September through May. During the month of September the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays. Friday office hours will resume in October.

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Eucharistic Minister Training will be held on Sundays, October 8, 15, and 22 at 9:10am (after the 8am mass). If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, please come to the first training session on Sunday, October 8th. Please meet in the sacristy.

### Kid's Choir

The Saint Therese Kids Choir is currently accepting members. Here is an opportunity for children in first grade through high school, who enjoy singing, to serve our parish and to learn more about their faith and about singing at the same time. There are no auditions, and reading music is not necessary. Our first rehearsal is September 20th at 6:15 p.m. The St. Therese Kids Choir will lead congregational singing on the third Saturday of the month, starting on October 21st at the 5:00 p.m. liturgy. If your child is interested, please call Dusty at 414-228-8833, or see her after Mass near the organ.



### OCTOBER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Please note that the Parish Council will meet on Tuesday, October 3rd in the All Purpose Room. Unless advertised as a "closed session," all Parish Council meetings are open to all parish members.

### Welcome to Saint Therese Parish Community!

If you are not currently registered and wish to join the Parish, please complete this form and place it in the collection or send it to the Parish Office, 9525 West Bluemound Road, Milwaukee, WI 53226.

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_