

Now is the time
when everything
changes...

Be Grateful.

Be Generous.

Be Open to Change of Heart.

Stewardship is a way of life – something we practice in a dozen little ways each day and a few big ways each year. The best part is that, as we place our trust in the Lord, when we give for the pure joy of sharing, it changes us – changes our hearts. True Stewardship as a way of life changes us from giving to a need, into needing to GIVE!

*"You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God."
— 2 Corinthians 9:11*

Because Stewardship is Our Way of Life.

FROM THE DESK OF THE PARISH DIRECTOR:

- For over thirty years, St. Therese Parish has participated in the Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service. This year our parish has the privilege of hosting the service on Wednesday, November 22, 2006 at 7pm. Please join us, along with the faith communities of Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Nativity Lutheran Church, and Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, as we join our hearts, hands, and voices in praise, solidarity, intercession, and, of course, thanksgiving. A combined choir from the choirs of all four of our churches will perform special musical selections. Following the service, we will enjoy hospitality in Heck Hall. All are welcome to attend.
- Although the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated from January 18-25, our annual Thanksgiving is an opportunity for us to pray for unity of all Christians.
- Mark your calendars for the special liturgies of our holidays and holydays! Mass times are listed in the bulletin this week and will be listed in the weeks following.

May God bless you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano



Leave it with Him... the lilies all do, and they grow. They grow in the rain and they grow in the

dew... yes, they grow. They grow in the darkness, all hid in the night, they grow in the sunshine revealed by the light. Still they grow. Yes, leave it to Him. It's more dear to His heart than you will ever know... than the lilies that bloom or the flowers that start 'neath the snow. Whatever you need, if you seek it in prayer, you can leave it with Him... you are in His care.

When God can seem to take too long to hear our heartfelt prayer, it doesn't mean He hasn't heard or simply doesn't care, rather, like the Bible says, "Take this as a sign; the mill of God grinds very slow, but also very fine."

Please include the following in your prayers:

- Margaret Anderson * Lenore Black * Art Bonk
- Mae Capecci * Mary Cosimi * Frank & Gertrude Eskra
- David Dane * Pam Ebner * Ann Farell * Lynn Gordon
- Karl Henn * Garnet Jankowski * Andy Islo Sr.
- Sue Gritzmacher * Bill & Carol Hoppenjan * Judy Rahn
- Dan Hubrich * Ken Knollenberg * Ann Lackovic
- Millie Metz * Carmella Milazzo * Andy Moehr
- Pat Nicholas * Samantha Pluta * Rev. Dick Quinn
- Marion Stabo * Eva Stabl * Barbara Schmitz
- Carlene Siever * Susan Sinks * Mary Stoke
- Joanne Weiss * Kathleen Zastrow

Born to Eternal Life:

†Rose Lupone



—To Wiley and Mary Vivians, Timm Rutkowski, Suzanne Goodacre, and Toni Hirschfeld for assembling, preparing, and mailing the Second 2006-2007 Stewardship Mailing.

—To Marge Koehler and Jack Keating for the purchase of the AED Defibrillator and the AED Accessory equipment for Heck Hall.

55+ Social Club Our next monthly meeting in Heck Hall will be on January 11th, 2007. We wrap up our meetings for 2006 with our Annual Christmas Luncheon at Alioto's on Wednesday, November 29th.

Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Holy Day Mass Schedules
All are welcome to attend!

- ✠ Our parish will be hosting the **Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service** on Wednesday evening, November 22nd at 7PM.
- ✠ **Thanksgiving Day**
Thursday, November 24th — Mass at 9AM in the Church.
- ✠ **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**
Friday, December 8th — Masses at 8AM and 7PM
- ✠ **The Solemnity of Christmas**
Christmas Eve, December 24th — Masses at 4PM and 10PM Choir Concert and Mass
- ✠ **Christmas Day**
December 25th — Masses at 8AM and 10AM
- ✠ **World Day of Prayer for Peace and the Solemnity of Mary**
January 1st, 2007 — Mass at 10AM only

ATTENTION: ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS, ALTAR SERVERS, AND GREETERS

Liturgical Ministers are needed for all the Holyday and Holiday liturgies—Thanksgiving, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, and World Day of Prayer for Peace/Solemnity of Mary (New Year's Day). Please sign up in the sacristy. It is a privilege to minister at these special celebrations. It is also an extension of our hospitality to have a complete complement of ministers to proclaim the Word, to provide enough communion stations, to welcome visitors and our worshipping community, and to serve at the Table of the Lord.

Sign-up sheets are also available for January through April 2007 are now available in the sacristy. Please indicate your Mass preference and special requests in the spaces provided. The sheets will be available through the weekend of December 3rd. Schedules will be ready the following weekend. If you are interested in joining one of the ministries, please put your name and phone number on the bottom of the appropriate sheet, and you will be contacted. Questions? Contact Mari Pavleje at (414)545-2733.

November 12th — 19th, 2006

Weekly Events

Sunday, November 12th

9:10AM Praise Band & Choirs (Church)
11:30AM *Living as God's People*

Monday, November 13th

7:00PM JustFaith (2nd Floor)

Tuesday, November 14th

6:30PM MICAH meeting (2nd Floor)
7:30PM Usher's Society Meeting (APR)

Wednesday, November 15th

6:30PM Reconciliation Preparation (HH)
7:30PM Praise Band and Instrumentalists (Church)
7:30PM Choir (Chapel)

Thursday, November 16th — PRAYER DAY

8:30AM — 6:30PM Prayer Day (Chapel)

Friday, November 17th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, November 18th

9:30AM Book Club (Library)

Sunday, November 19th

9:10AM Praise Band & Choirs (Church)

WAUWATOSA WEST HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS *BEAUTY & THE BEAST*

November 16th, 17th, and 18th at 7:30PM and on Sunday, November 19th at 2PM. Adult tickets are \$12, Students and Seniors are \$8, and children under 12 are \$5. Ticketline phone number is (414) 773-3219, or can be purchased at the door. 11400 W. Center Street.



REMINDER ABOUT HAND-WASHING FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

All liturgical ministers are reminded to use the antibacterial soap and solution in the sacristy to wash their hands before the liturgy begins. Eucharistic Ministers who distribute the consecrated Bread (Body of Christ) will also cleanse their hands immediately before distributing the Body of Christ.

Next Weekend is Sharing Weekend.

The Recipients are the four Parishes in the Bay of St. Louis who suffered the massive destruction of Hurricane Katrina last fall; the Archdiocese of Milwaukee has developed a diocesan-wide response to provide assistance to the parish communities in the Gulf Coast region. The archdiocesan response, ***“Rebuilding Lives, Restoring Hope,”*** is a comprehensive effort created through the work of a task force to develop and maintain a relationship with the four parishes in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, part of the Diocese of Biloxi. Fr. Paul Esser, a retired diocesan priest, is the coordinator for ***“Rebuilding Lives, Restoring Hope”*** for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. **Our goal is to organize parish groups to help with the rebuilding efforts and raise funds to purchase materials.**

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee has engaged a husband and wife team to provide on-site coordination of these efforts by seeking out families in the most need, organizing volunteers coming to the Bay St. Louis area and utilizing financial contributions to purchase materials needed to further the rebuilding efforts. Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee is providing staff to help administer these efforts, guide and support the on site coordinators and build relationships or partnerships to maximize these efforts, attempt to streamline the process and provide oversight to account for how resources are allocated. Thank you for the support you have given to our recipients in the past and we again ask for your generosity to this huge project.

If you are interested being a volunteer, by adding your time and expertise to the rebuilding of the area, contact Bill Leon at (414)769-3412.

WALL OF REMEMBRANCE

November is the month of remembrance—the month of All Saints and All Souls—in which take time to call to mind and heart all who have gone before us in death to eternal life. You are invited to place a picture of any loved ones who have died on the special Wall of Remembrance. Please make sure that the picture is labeled on the back so that it can be returned to you at the end of the month.



HOW TO SUBMIT PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS, BULLETIN ARTICLES, AND REQUESTS FOR BULLETIN INSERTS

—If your group would like a pulpit announcement, please submit it in writing (or e-mail it) to the Parish Office by **3:00PM on Thursday**. If you would like your announcement read more than one week, please also request the specific dates for the announcement.

—For a bulletin announcement, please submit the announcement in writing (or e-mail it) to the Parish Office by **Monday morning at 8:30AM**.

—All bulletin inserts must be submitted camera-ready and then approved. For reprints of articles or letters, **copyright permissions need to be honored**; and if there is a fee for the copyright, these should be paid accordingly. Groups requesting bulletin inserts are asked to provide volunteers to stuff the bulletins.

Please note that there is a Drop Off Box in the sacristy that can be used for submission of bulletin and pulpit announcements.

Readings for the Week of November 12th, 2006

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44
 Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6
 Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18;
 Mk 13:24-32



**COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS—
 BEREAVEMENT WORKSHOP**

Holidays can be an especially difficult time while grieving? How can we cope? How can we plan for the holidays? Aurora Visiting Nurse Association is sponsoring a free workshop entitled "Coping With the Holidays" on Wednesday, November 29, 2006 at 7pm at Aurora VNA Zilber Family Hospice, 1155 Honey Creek Parkway, Wauwatosa. If you would like to attend, please call Roger Hansen, Bereavement Coordinator, at (414) 615-5934.

When: Friday, December 1 2006
 from 7:00PM to 8:45PM

Where: Cardinal Stritch University, Sr. Camille Kliebahn Conference Center; 6801 N. Yates Rd., Milwaukee

Cost: \$10-\$15 at the door. Childcare is available at \$5 per child--pre-registration for childcare required by Nov. 20, 2006.

What: Pax et Bonum: Advent through the Eyes of St. Francis and St. Clare. Translated to mean "peace and well-being," this evening of reflection will offer young adults, married couples, and singles over 40 an opportunity to reflect of the life of St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi as we approach the beginning of Advent. Join Archbishop Timothy Dolan, Rich and Georgia Harter, and Father John Celichowski, OFM Cap for an evening of expression of giving an the joy of the season. This event begins at 6:30PM with registration and includes time for prayer and socializing.

*Advent Evening
 of Reflection*

**MASS INTENTIONS
 FOR THE WEEK OF November 7th**

Tuesday, November 7th

7:45AM Mother of Perpetual Help Prayers
 8:00AM †Virginia & Larry Friedsam

Wednesday, November 8th

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

Thursday, November 9th

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

Friday, November 10th

7:30AM †Shirley O'Donahue

Saturday, November 11th

5:00PM †John & Roger Krolicki

Sunday, November 12th

8:00AM †Abby Bunzel
 10:00AM People of St. Therese Parish
 Community and †Gregory Lackovic

**2006-2007 PARISH STEWARDSHIP—
 SECOND MAILING SENT**

On November 2, 2006, a second 2006-2007 Stewardship Mailing was sent out to all parish members who have not yet returned their 2006-2007 Stewardship Commitment Card. Thanks to all who have returned their cards! Follow-up calls will be made by members of the Finance/Administration Committee and Parish Council within the next month to those who have not returned their cards.

Come and join our neighboring Lutheran churches in prayer and song when St. Therese hosts this year's Thanksgiving ecumenical prayer service on Wednesday Nov. 22 at 7:00PM. This service requires the help of several ministries, as well as 1 or 2 people willing to coordinate the fellowship in Heck Hall following the service. We need greeters, ushers, bakers, hospitality servers and clean-up volunteers. If you can help in any way, please notify the church office or fill out and return this form.

*Thanksgiving Service
 Hospitality*

*Thank
 You!*

CHURCH SUPPORT
 (Includes Envelopes & Offertory)
 November 4th/5th: **\$6630.21**

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
 REGARDING POLITICAL
 FLYERS LEFT ON CARS**

A few weeks ago, political materials were left on cars in our parking lot during mass. **THIS WAS A VIOLATION OF OUR PRIVACY. AS A CHURCH, WE DO NOT ENDORSE A PARTICULAR CANDIDATE AND PROHIBIT SOLICITATIONS OF ANY SORT ON OUR PROPERTY.** If you see anyone soliciting or placing materials on the cars in our parking lot, kindly ask them to leave our property immediately and then please report this type of violation to the Parish Office immediately so that we can report this activity.

Name _____ Phone () _____

- I will help coordinate the fellowship
- I will help serve at hospitality
- I will help with clean-up
- I will bake a dessert
- I will greet
- I will usher

svdp Society

Our words are not so much what we do, but rather what we are. Our works are not something we do for God, nor even with God. Our works are something we allow God to do in us.

Living as God's People

Koinonia: The Ministry of Community

The initial ground for any type of formational ministry is not teaching and not even worship, it is koinonia, (pronounced coin-nuh-NEE-ya). This Greek word was used in the early Christian community to mean communion with others and God. So, in order for St. Therese Parish to be a vibrant parish, we need to first focus on the ministry of koinonia!

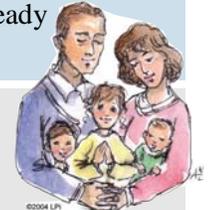


People come to St. Therese Parish for a variety of reasons: our location, our ethos, by recommendation. But the underlying reason is basic; people come to St. Therese Parish to belong, to be in communion with others. Put in simple terms, it is a need to love, to give love and to receive love. This is the burden that has been placed

upon us as a community, to be purveyors of love, this love that was shared so bountifully in Christ. One cannot be a Christian alone; we go to God together or not at all.

Living as God's People is a place where this koinonia, the ministry of community can begin. Please consider again your motivation for belonging to our parish, and make a bold statement of support by attending our December session. We can fulfill this ministry and truly build up the body of Christ together!

Please remember, you must register each month for LGP only if you have not already registered for the entire year.



Month-to-Month Reservation Form Living As God's People — December Session

Name _____ Phone (____) _____
E-Mail _____ Number attending: _____

I/we will attend on:

- Thursday, December 14th ONLY from 6 - 9PM
- A check for \$ _____ is enclosed.
- I will bring a check to the December session.
- I can help with registration and check-in.
- I can help serve the dinner.

Christmas Eve Family Mass

St. Therese will once again be having a Christmas Eve Family Mass at 4:00 pm. "Family" is defined as anyone who is part of our broad St. Therese community. As part of the planning for this event, please provide us with any pictures of a past Christmas that you might have. Please put your name on the back of the picture if

you want it returned. St. Therese related pictures are preferred...pictures of the kids on St. Nick's lap...pictures of the live manger scene...the family at the giving tree after Mass. Whatever the picture, no matter the age, we would like to have it. Please put it in an envelope marked Christmas Eve Mass and bring it to the church office. Are you interested in helping to plan the Liturgy? While a pageant will no longer be part of the Mass, some other great activities and events will surround this anticipatory celebration. Please contact David Borst at david.borst@cuw.edu to offer your assistance.

Volunteer Ministry Opportunity— Greeter Coordinator

We are proud of our parish and often comment that we are welcoming and open to all. Let's keep it that way. We are in need of a volunteer coordinator of greeters. This volunteer ministry consists of scheduling the greeters three times per year and helping expand our ministry. We are in need of more greeters, too! Please consider doing this ministry for our parish for the next stewardship year. Please call the Parish Office to volunteer. Thanks to Gladys Sachse, our out-going scheduler.



The St. Therese Book Club

will meet again on Saturday, November 18th at 9:30AM. We will read the book At Home in Mitford by Jan Karon. In the future, the Book Club will meet on the third Saturday of every other month. Please notify Alice Kennedy at (414) 771-8147 if you are planning to attend. There will be notices in the bulletin prior to each meeting date as a reminder. **ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

FOLLOW-UP FROM OCTOBER 23RD EUCHARISTIC MINISTER MEETING AND OCTOBER 30TH LECTOR MEETING

Handouts from both of these meetings are in their respective mailboxes in the sacristy. If you did not attend the meeting, please pick up these handouts. If you have any questions regarding what was discussed and decided at the meeting, please consult a Eucharistic Minister or Lector who attended the meeting.

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 (____) _____