



Saint Therese Parish

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August 26th, 2007

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 Staff

Parish Director
Dr. Alexandra Guliano
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Rev. Hugh Birdsall, SDS

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Rev. Norm Oswald

Administrative Assistant
Courtney Falk
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Coordinator of Early Childhood Catechesis and Sacraments
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Maintenance Team ext. 16
Toni Timm
Mike Davis

Ministers
All the Members of the Parish

For Parish Emergencies, please call (414) 771-2500 and follow the instructions for the 24-hour emergency line.

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:00AM
Tuesday: 8:00AM
Friday: 7:30AM

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Wednesday & Thursday: 8:00AM
See inside for Holy Day Schedules



“People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

— Lk 13:29-30

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Reconciliation: 4:15PM — 4:45PM
1st Saturday of the Month

Anointing of the Sick:
2nd Full Weekend of the Month
Following Each Mass

All Other Sacraments:
Please call the Parish Office
Preparation can take six months or more

Summer Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday:
8:30AM — 12:00 noon

Tuesday, Thursday:
12:30PM — 4:00PM

From the Desk of the Parish Director:

One of our active and growing ministries here at St. Therese is our Funeral Ministry. Several parish members give of their time and talent to reach out to grieving families in their time of loss.

—Our Canticle Choir, under the capable direction of Elterine Jankowski-Biggers, provides musical leadership for all our funeral liturgies. Often families request special musical selections and hymns for the liturgy, and the Choir does its best to accommodate these requests. Guest musicians have also been welcome to be a part of our music ministry—vocalists and instrumentalists.

—The ChristCare Ministry, coordinated by Barb Heinz, offers hospitality after the liturgies. Parish members provide cakes, cookies, and desserts and assist with serving food for the families and their guests.

—The Liturgical Ministry Team consists of Sacristans, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, and Lectors, who ministers as needed. While family members and friends of the deceased often minister as Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, there are times when our parish Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers generously serve as needed. Usually the Sacristan and Altar Server are parish ministers.

—Our Maintenance Team, Mike Davis and Toni Timm, assist with setting up and preparing the church—placing the Easter candle near the coffin; setting up tables for displays; making sure flowers get moved into the church; unlocking and securing the church; and many more “behind the scenes” duties.

—Courtney Falk, our Administrative Assistant, gathers and coordinates all the information regarding the funeral vigil, mass, and committal service and records this information in our sacramental book.

—Father Hugh Birdsall, SDS, Father Norm Oswald, and I complete the Funeral Ministry Team with our pastoral ministry.

Thanks to all who are a part of our Funeral Ministry Team.

Peace to you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Registration

Is your child entering the second grade and spiritually prepared for First Reconciliation? This Sacrament of Healing is considered essential in the spiritual journey of children, and now precedes First Holy Communion.

Sessions for First Reconciliation begin Tuesday, September 11th. Please contact Christine Reinders, Coordinator of Early Childhood Catechesis and Sacraments in the Parish Office to register your child.



We do not need cathedral’s spire or stone-carved temple grand to worship our dear

God above — we can pray just where we stand. We do not need the songs of choirs, though beautiful they are. We can sing our own sweet praises as we travel near and far. We can stand in fields of grain, on the desert, shore or glen, make our vow of sweet surrender and begin our lives again. With renewed life, love and spirit, casting off our worldly care, we can face each awesome challenge knowing God is always there.

God bless you morning, noon, and night; God keep you in his care; God fill your heart with faith in Him and answer every prayer.

Those in need of special prayer remembrance this week are:

- Margaret Anderson * Lenore Black * Gianna Capecci Art Bonk * Mary Cosimi * David Dane * Christian Elder Frank Eskra * Ann Farell * Lynn Gordon * Mary Stoke Jerry Gritzmacher * Pauline Guttman * Ligia Gomez Chuck Hillyer * Garnet Jankowski * Marion Stabo Ken Knollenberg * Marge Koehler * Ann Lackovic Ciel Maccani * Millie Metz * Andy Moehr * Joe Wild Joachim Family * Isaiah Montoya * LaVerne Mucci Gertrude Kohlmann * Sandra Richins * Fran Schmidt Barbara Schmitz * Karie Schwonke * Carlene Siever Susan Sinks * Harold Vanden Heuvel * Gordy Watters

Born to Eternal Life:

†Josef Kohlmann and †Joan Dowske

Fall/Winter/Spring Parish Office Hours Begin on September 4th

“Regular” Parish Office hours begin on Tuesday, September 4th, 2007 and continue through Friday, May 30th, 2008. We will be closed on Monday, September 3rd in observance of Labor Day.

Please note the hours:

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday: 8:30AM to 12PM and 12:30PM to 4:00PM

Wednesday: 12:00PM to 4:00PM and 4:30PM to 7:30PM

Friday: 8:30AM to 12:00PM



Important Notice — Items Left for Meal Program and Other Groups

In order to assure that items left for the meal program and for other groups collecting items (school supplies or other donations) are not confused with garbage to be thrown out, kindly refrain from leaving these items on the floor in the lobby or throughout the church. Also, please label the bag or container and bring it to the parish office or leave it on one of the tables in the lobby area. Any items that are not labeled appropriately or left on the floor will be discarded. This is especially important for food items which must be handled with care for safety and sanitary reasons. Thank you for your understanding.

Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, August 26th

No Meetings Scheduled

Monday, August 27th

6:00PM Leadership/Calendar Meeting (HH)

8:00PM SVdP Meeting (LIB)

Tuesday, August 28th

No Meetings Scheduled

Wednesday, August 29th

No Meetings Scheduled

Thursday, August 30th

No Meetings Scheduled

Friday, August 31st

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, September 1st

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, September 2nd

No Meetings Scheduled

Mission Sunday Appeal—September 8th/9th

As a part of the Missionary Cooperative Plan of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Sister Toni Harris, OP, will be making an appeal for support the weekend of September 8th/9th. Sister Toni will be speaking on behalf of the Dominican Family throughout the world. There are more than 21,000 Dominican Sisters, 6,500 Dominican Friars, 4,300 Dominican Cloistered Nuns, and hundreds of thousands of Dominican Laity throughout the world. Dominicans minister in 101 of the world's countries--in some of the poorest and most conflicted places. Sister Toni currently serves as International Co-Promoter for Justice and Peace for the Dominican Order. Now based in Rome, Italy, she is a Dominican Sister from Sinsinawa, WI. A special collection will be taken up for the support of the Dominicans. Since this collection is sent directly to the Archdiocese of Milwaukee in one check, please make out any checks to "St. Therese Parish" and write "Mission Sunday" in the memo section. Thank you for your generosity.

Youth Ministry Team Forming

Adults and youth are needed to form a Youth Ministry Team for 2007-2008. This team will be involved with Confirmation preparation, youth activities, and outreach. Help our youth know their faith, grow in their faith, and experience the strength of Christian community. To join this exciting ministry, please call the Parish Office.

Liturgical Ministry and Greeter Schedules

Liturgical ministry schedules for lectors, servers, Eucharistic ministers AND greeters for September through December are now available in the sacristy. Please pick up a copy as soon as possible. If you are interested in joining one of the ministries, it's not too late. Call the parish office and leave your name and phone number, and you will be contacted.



GREETERS

Reminder to All Committees/Groups

All committees/groups are reminded to please remove all promotional items, signs, food, and related items from the church and parish office after an event. Often groups leave items in the parish office or parish kitchens without communicating whether the items will be picked up or whether they need to be discarded. All items left without indication/communication will be discarded.



Resurrection Dance Theatre of Haiti

On September 16th at the 10AM liturgy, some of the young men from St. Joseph's in Haiti will participate with song and dance in the liturgy, followed by a Haitian lunch and performance in Heck Hall. This is a rare opportunity to see five of the young men of the RDTH from St. Joseph's Family perform here in Milwaukee. You can meet Michael and hear his story of how St. Joseph's has created a cohesive and loving family from orphaned and abandoned boys found on the streets of Haiti. Hearts with Haiti was a Sharing Sunday recipient in 2005; come see how your support has made a difference!



Eucharistic Minister Training Sessions

Three training sessions are required for all new Eucharistic Ministers. Training sessions will be held after the 10AM mass on Sundays, September 9th, 16th, and 23rd. Please meet in the center section of the church. If you would like to become a Eucharistic Minister, please come to the training sessions.

Rental of Our Facilities

Recently, our parish has been receiving many requests for rental of our gym/hall, church, meeting rooms, kitchen, and parking lot. Our priorities for use of our buildings and grounds are these: first, for our own St. Therese ministries and groups; second, our existing yearly rental agreements with Milwaukee Montessori School; third, requests from the ministries and offices of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee; and lastly, other requests. Often, we are simply unable to accommodate other requests from outside community groups and other charitable, non-profit groups. Many times, the groups that call mention that a parish member recommended use of our facilities. While we take pride in our location and our building and grounds, we find that we have to deny most of the outside requests. Thank you for understanding our limitations.

St. Therese Book Club

Meets Saturday, September 22nd, 9:30AM, in the Parish Library.

BOOK: Drowning Ruth by Christina Schwarz. Questions: Please call or email Dianne Dagen at (414) 771-1505 or diannedagen@yahoo.com. All are welcome!



Readings for the Week of August 26th

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13;
Lk 13:22-30

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13 (427); Mk 6:17-29

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19,
22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14



CTA-WI Fall Conference: "Subsidizing the Rich While Too Poor For Healthcare—The Imbalance of Wealth Distribution in the U.S."

Saturday, September 15th, 9AM to Noon at Good Shepherd Parish. This two-part presentation will feature W. Michael Slattery, author of the soon to be released book, *Jesus the Warrior? Christian Perspectives & Problems on the Morality of War and the Waging of Peace.*

Rebuilding Lives, Restoring Hope

The Archdiocesan Katrina Relief Program *Rebuilding Lives, Restoring Hope* invites you to a Mass of Thanksgiving with Archbishop Timothy Dolan on Wednesday, August 29th at 7 p.m. at St. Dominic Parish - 18255 W. Capitol Dr. Brookfield to celebrate the valiant efforts of all who have volunteered their time, talent and money to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina in Bay St. Louis and Waveland, Mississippi. A Reception will follow the Mass. Please bring your photos and stories to share. *Rebuilding Lives, Restoring Hope* continues to provide assistance and hope to our brothers and sisters in the Gulf region who are still homeless two years after Hurricane Katrina.

Pajama Program

In the Greater Milwaukee area alone, more than 11,000 calls are made to the child abuse hotline every year with nearly 1,200 children placed in foster care. Now more than 20,000 Milwaukee children are being raised by someone who is not a parent to them. With school starting shortly in Wisconsin, it is important to remember that studies have shown that sleep deprivation negatively affects short-term memory, as well as physical and emotional well being.

Between August 23rd and September 3rd, six area shopping centers have teamed up to collect NEW pajamas (all ages: infant through teenage sizes—teen sizes are greatly needed), books and other bedtime related items for children in SE Wisconsin living under difficult circumstances.

Belinda Bach, a parish member, is willing to collect and deliver items for this program after the masses next weekend. Please contact her at (414) 546-1570 for more information. Otherwise, you can bring donations to Mayfair Mall's Pajama Program Display in the Center Court on Level 1 by September 3rd. For a complete list of the items that will be accepted, please visit www.mayfairmall.com and click on "Events."

2007 Catholic Stewardship Appeal Update

As of August 16th, 2007, we have reached 86% of our goal for the 2007 Catholic Stewardship Appeal. 197 St. Therese Parish members have contributed \$29,126.25 toward our goal of \$34,000. Thanks to all who have contributed for the support of our archdiocesan ministries. Contribution forms and envelopes are available on the tables at the entrances of the church.

Mass for the Intentions Week

Tuesday, August 28th

7:45AM Mother of Perpetual Help Prayers

8:00AM †Mark McShane

Wednesday and Thursday

7:45AM Rosary before Liturgy

8:00AM Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Friday, August 31st

7:30AM †Michael Stabo

Saturday, September 1st

5:00PM John Mlnar

Sunday, September 2nd

8:00AM Ray McGuirk

10:00AM The People of St. Therese Parish and †Joan Dowske

Thank you!

CHURCH SUPPORT

August 18th/19th
\$4351.31

August 15th: Holy Day
\$532.65

Life Directions Weekend: October 5th-7th

Have you ever thought about life as a religious—priest, sister, or brother? Want to know more about this vocation? You are invited to Life Directions, a weekend of prayer and discernment about life as a religious in the Church today. It is FREE and open to single Catholics ages 18-45 and is sponsored by the Sierra Clubs of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The Schoenstatt Retreat Center, Waukesha, WI will host the weekend from October 5th-7th, 2007. Registration pamphlets are available in the Lobby Bulletin Board area or you may call Dick Miller at (262) 539-2648 or toll free at (800) 234-4054. Registration deadline is September 21st.

Class Reunion

Did you graduate from the Little Flower School in 1957? If so, contact Diane Mouthy Alijev. Diane would like to have a reunion with her fellow classmates. You can contact her at (262) 646-3201.

R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Who and What?

R.C.I.A. is a process for adults interested in joining the Catholic Church.

With Whom?

An R.C.I.A. team, sponsors and other St. Therese parishioners and support groups of prayer, interest and community.

How?

The process begins with a period of Inquiry to become familiar with Catholic beliefs and practices. The next stage of conversion focuses on reflection of the Sunday scriptures.

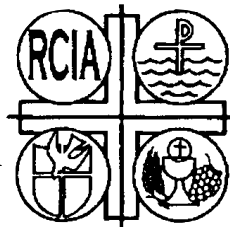
Why?

Since Vatican II, this Rite has been restored from early Christian practices.

There are four essential changes in the adult conversion process:

1. It restores the original order of the Sacraments of Initiation, which are Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.
2. It stresses the need for a living experience of the Church and not just knowledge about the Church.
3. It makes the welcoming of new Christians a public, Church community event
4. It stresses that conversion is begun by the Holy Spirit and is an extended process. Invitation to the Community of St. Therese Parish.

Do you know a family member or friend who might be interested in this conversion process? Would you be willing to sponsor a candidate? If so, please contact Cathy Smith at (414) 771-2500 x20.



Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

Chairperson

Kathy Hubrich (414) 259-1961

Vice-Chairperson

Judy Dietz (414) 607-0681

Trustee

Jim Balliet (414) 257-0339

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Eddie Wozniak (414) 645-2279

**Greater Tosa
Interfaith**

(414) 453-5750

**Saint Vincent
de Paul**

(414) 462-7837

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.

**Please remember
Saint Therese Parish
in your will !**

Attention All Committees & Groups:

Calendar & Leadership Meeting for Officers

All Chairpersons, Vice-Chairpersons, **and** Secretaries of Parish Committees/Groups are asked to attend the yearly calendaring, scheduling, and leadership meeting on Monday, August 27th beginning with dinner at 6PM in Heck Hall. All committee/groups are asked to send their membership roster (name, address, city, zip, phone(s), and e-mail) to Courtney Falk, Administrative Assistant, **prior** to the meeting. Please also come prepared to submit meeting dates and times for your committee/group at the meeting. No meeting dates, times, or rooms will be finalized until after this August 27th meeting.

Sing Praise to God and Have Fun, Too!

Join the Saint Therese Sunday Choir which is currently accepting new members. All voices are welcome. Our first rehearsal for the season is September 5th at 7:30PM. There are no auditions. Reading music is a plus, but not a prerequisite. Offer your gift of music to glorify God and to support the faith life of our parish.

55+ Social Club

Hors d'oeuvres will be featured on the menu at the September 13th meeting of the 55+ Social Club in Heck Hall at 11:30AM. The cost per person is \$7.50 and reservations AND money are due on September 5th. Jan Peters will be here to perform the music of the late country singer, Patsy Cline. If you can bring a dessert, please Call Barb in the Parish Office.

**Bulletin deadline:
Monday, 8:30AM**

**Announcement deadline:
Thursday, 3:00PM**

*All submissions must
be in writing; email preferred.*

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 basket or send it to the Parish Office, 9525 West Bluemound Road, Milwaukee, WI 53226. The full registration form will be mailed to you, or if you prefer, you can download and print the form from the "Contact Us" page on our website.

Name _____ Phone (____) _____ Email _____
Address _____ City, State, Zip _____