



Saint Therese Parish

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November 18th, 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.

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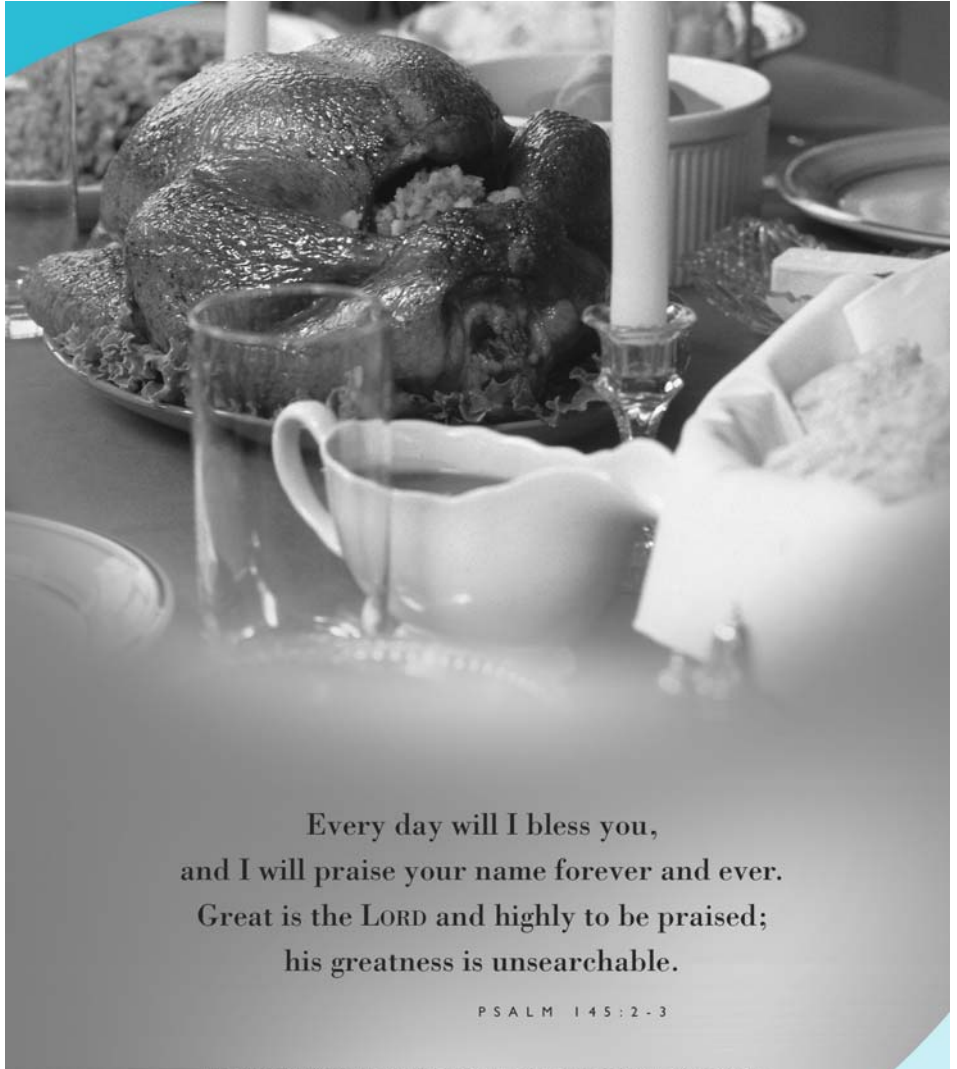
For Parish Emergencies, please call (414) 771-2500 and follow the instructions for the 24-hour emergency line.

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



Every day will I bless you,
and I will praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD and highly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.

PSALM 145:2-3

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Give Thanks

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

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:

8:30AM — 4:00PM

closed 12:00PM — 12:30PM

Wednesday:

12:00PM — 7:30PM

closed 4:00PM to 4:30PM

Friday:

8:30AM to 12:00PM

From the Desk of the Parish Director

Our Parish Council and Parish Staff have been reviewing and discussing the document written by Father Jim Connell on Archdiocesan Planning entitled "Energizing Our Vibrancy." Father Jim wrote this document in July 2007 in an effort to begin the discussion for future planning for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee parishes and schools.

Father Jim has already conducted one round of meetings with pastors, parish directors, and priests. On November 28th, he will meet with parish staffs at Christ King Church. He also has scheduled several opportunities for parish leadership (Parish Council members, standing committee members, and others) to meet with him regarding the three initiatives currently underway in our archdiocese—Archdiocesan Pastoral Planning, Archdiocesan Capital Campaign, and a faith formation effort called "Living Our Faith."

I have urged our Parish Council members, Finance/Administration Committee members, and other parish leaders to attend one of the meetings with Father Jim on the three initiatives. Dates, times, and places for these meetings are listed in today's bulletin and will be published weekly for the duration of the meetings. You are welcome to attend any of these meetings.

Copies of Father Jim's document are available in the Parish Office. If you would like to read it, please pick it up during office hours or request it from Courtney Falk, Administrative Assistant. It is not available online.

Archdiocesan planning affects all parishes, schools, and institutions. Please pray for this effort and for our parish leadership and staff who will be attending these meetings.

God be with you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano



Heavenly Father, on this coming Thanksgiving Day let us bow our hearts to You and pray. Let us give You thanks for all You've done, especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son. For beauty in nature, Your glory we see, for joy and health, friends and family, for daily provision, Your mercy and care—these are the blessings you so graciously share. So on this coming Thanksgiving Day, let us offer this response of praise with a promise to follow You all of our days. Amen.

For each new morning with its light, for rest and shelter of the night, for health and food, for love and friends, for everything Thy goodness sends. We thank you, Lord.

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Margaret Anderson * Lenore Black * Gianna Capecci
Mary Cosimi * David Dane * Christian Elder * Ray Bernards
Christopher Duffy & Family * Frank Eskra * Ann Farell
Len Dushek * Larry Burazin * Lynn Gordon * Chuck Hillyer
Legia Gomez * Carol Hoppenjan * Anastasia Hubbard
Garnet Jankowski * Mary Stoke * Baby Riana Wolosek
Joachim Family * Ken Knollenberg * Marion Stabo * Art Bonk
Gertrude Kohlmann * Jack Kopischke * Ann Lackovic
Ciel Maccani * Cindy Mekka * Millie Metz * Andy Moehr
Isaiah Montoya * LaVerne Mucci * Fran Schmidt * Susan Sinks
Barbara Schmitz * Karie Schwonke * Sue Monyette
Carlene Siever * Harold Vanden Heuvel * Maurie Wright
Olga Valdovinos * Rosemary Cassady * Patty Miller



Three Archdiocesan Initiatives

Parish Planning, Capital Campaign, and Living Our Faith Upcoming Meetings

Seven opportunities to learn more about the Three Archdiocesan Initiatives undertaken under the direction of Archbishop Timothy Dolan ("Living Our Faith"—a parish-centered effort to help people to meet, know, and live Christ; "Mission Vision: 21st Century"—archdiocesan planning; and "Faith In Our Future"—the capital campaign) will be held during the next three weeks.

- Wednesday, November 28th: 7:00PM St. Anthony Parish
W280 N2101 Hwy SS, Pewaukee
- Thursday, November 29th: 7:00PM St. Mary Parish
7300 39th Ave, Kenosha
- Monday, December 3rd: 7:00PM St. James Parish
830 County Rd NN East, Mukwonago
- Tuesday, December 4th: 7:00PM St. Peter Alcantara Parish
1800 N Wisconsin St, Port Washington
- Wednesday, December 5th: 6:30PM Holy Family Parish
271 Fourth St, Fond du Lac
- Tuesday, December 11th: 7:00PM St. Jude Parish
734 Glenview Ave, Wauwatosa
- Thursday, December 12th: 7:00PM St. Rita Parish
4339 Douglas Ave, Racine

Thanksgiving Day Mass and Office Closures

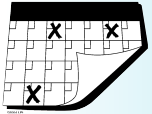
Mass will be offered at 9:00AM in the church on Thanksgiving Day, November 22nd.

The Parish Office will close at 4:00PM on Wednesday, November 21st. There are no evening hours that day.

We will also be closed all day on Thursday (Thanksgiving Day) and Friday, November 23rd. Normal business hours will resume on Monday, November 26th.



HOLIDAY
OFFICE
HOURS



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, November 18th

- 9:15AM Canticle Choir (CH)
- 10:00AM Mass and LGP (CH/HH)

Monday, November 19th

- 8:00PM SVdP Meeting (LIB)

Tuesday, November 20th

- 6:30PM First Reconciliation Prep (2ND)
- 6:45PM Finance/Administration (APR)
- 7:00PM Green Team (LIB)

Wednesday, November 21st

- 4:00PM OFFICE CLOSED—no evening hours
- 7:00PM Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service at Martin Luther Lutheran Church

Thursday, November 22nd

OFFICE CLOSED

Friday, November 23rd

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, November 24th

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, November 25th

- 9:15AM Adult Choir

Doing Holiday Shopping Online?

Donate to St. Therese at the same time! Set St. Therese as your charity at goodsearch.com and then click on the GoodShop logo. Search for the online store you would like to patronize, and then shop as you normally would. For every purchase you make in this manner, the retailer donates a percentage of your total. All it takes is visiting goodsearch.com before you begin your shopping. Remember to goodshop for St. Therese this holiday season!

Lost & Found Closet

If you have lost an item in the church or Heck Hall, you may want to check out the Lost & Found Closet across from the Parish Office. Perhaps your missing item is there! Please note that any keys, cell phones, wallets, or purses are kept in the Parish Office. All other items found after meetings, events, and services are placed in the Lost & Found Closet.

Parish Stewardship Cards/Mailing

Thanks to all who have returned their 2007-2008 Stewardship Commitment Cards. Parish Council and Finance/Administration Committee members have begun the follow-up phase by calling all parish members who have not returned their commitment cards. Cards and ministry lists are available on the tables at the entrances of the church.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service

On Wednesday, November 21st, at 7:00PM we will join our neighboring churches, the people of Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Nativity Lutheran Church, and Mt. Zion Lutheran Church for an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service. Martin Luther Lutheran Church is the host parish. Our St. Therese Sunday Choir has been preparing for this event. All are welcome to join us in giving thanks to God for all our blessings!

The Welcoming Committee Needs Your Help

We are looking for someone with a CAD program or a great free hand who can make an architectural drawing of the St. Therese floor plan. Please call Mary Rose Sanger at (414) 425-2028 if you can help.

Ushers, Please Note—New Collection Bags

Due to recent thefts of collection money, parishes in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee are required to have tamper-proof collection bags. We began using these bags last weekend—October 20th/21st. Please read the note in the sacristy regarding the use of these bags.



Note From the Green Team

The St. Therese Green Team recommends that *today* you turn off the faucet while brushing teeth and/or shaving; that *this week* you change at least some of the light bulbs in your home from incandescent ones to compact fluorescents; that *this month* you talk to your school or workplace about using recycled paper in the printers. Not in school or working? You can recycle your own newspapers, etc.

Breakfast With the Saints

On Sunday, December 9th, there will be a pancake breakfast, crafts, story telling, and more. This day is planned to help prepare you and your family for the birth of our savior Jesus Christ. Make time to let Jesus be the reason for this Holy, Holiday Season. Meal will be available after both the 8:00AM and 10:00AM masses. Activities will only take place following the 10:00AM mass. For more information, contact Cathy Smith in the Parish Office.

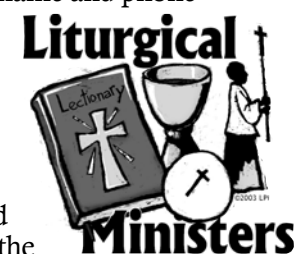


Ministry Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-up sheets for servers, lectors, and Eucharistic ministers for January through April 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 first weekend in December. Schedules will be ready the following weekend. If you are interested in joining one of the ministries, please add your name and phone number to the bottom of the appropriate sheet, and you will be contacted. Questions? Contact Mari Pavleje (414) 545-2733.

Liturgical Ministers Needed for Thanksgiving and Holy Day Liturgies

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, and Greeters are reminded to sign up to minister for the Thanksgiving Day 9:00AM liturgy and the holyday mass on Saturday, December 8th at 8:00AM for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Please check the sign-up sheet on the sacristy bulletin board.



Readings for the Week of November 18th

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun: Mal 3:19-20a; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19
Mon: 1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63; Lk 18:35-43
Tue: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10
Wed: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28
Thu: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44
Fri: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48
Sat: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

Sun: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, November 20th

7:45AM Mother of Perpetual Help Prayers
8:00AM †Ann Washburn

Wednesday and Thursday

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

Friday, November 23rd

7:30AM †Lindsey Donadio

Saturday, November 24th

5:00PM †Josephine Schaefer

Sunday, November 25th

8:00AM St. Therese Parish and †Eldon McGraw
10:00AM The Intentions of Patrick Winter

Thank you!	CHURCH SUPPORT	
	Envelopes & Offertory	<u>November 10th/11th</u> \$5166.85

Bibles Available

Free bibles are available for your prayer and study in church or for you to take home for your personal/family use. Bibles are located on the bottom shelves of the tables at the church entrances.

Wall of Remembrance

During the Month of November, we remember those who have died. You are welcome to place pictures of your deceased loved one on our parish Wall of Remembrance located next to the baptismal font and Easter candle on the west side of the church.

Coping With the Holidays

Holidays can be an especially difficult time while grieving. How can we cope? How can we plan for the holidays? Come to this bereavement workshop on Wednesday, November 28th at 7:00PM at the Aurora VNA Zilber Family Hospice, 1155 Honey Creek Pkwy, Wauwatosa. If you would like to attend, please call Roger Hansen, Bereavement Coordinator, at (414) 615-5934.

Reminder Regarding Bulletin Inserts and Flyers

In order to assure that a bulletin insert or flyer gets in our parish bulletin, the following procedure needs to be followed:

1. Inserts/flyers must be submitted at least **three weeks** in advance of the bulletin publication.
2. Inserts must either be camera-ready for duplication or the group/committee must provide 350 copies.
3. The group/committee is responsible for stuffing the inserts/flyers in the bulletins.
4. Colored paper may be requested. All copies will be duplicated using the "black and white" setting of the copier. Color copies are not provided.

Often an announcement in the body of the bulletin and a pulpit announcement are as effective as a special insert/flyer. When submitting inserts/flyers, please weigh the cost of the flyer/insert against its effectiveness.

Show Your Support For God's Littlest People!

Members of the St. Therese community are welcome to purchase a God's Littlest People t-shirt. The shirts are just one way to show our youngest friends that they make St. Therese a special place. The white, pre-shrunk t-shirt with God's Littlest People logo can be found on the Catechesis Table in church. Sizing information and order forms are also available on the table. The cost, whether purchasing a youth or adult size is \$11.20. This is not a fundraiser, just a way to exemplify the vitality of our parish community. Orders are due by Monday, November 26th. For questions, please contact Christine Reinders in the Parish Office.



55+ Social Club

Our next monthly meeting in Heck Hall will be on Thursday, January 10th. Our November and December meetings were combined due to the Annual Christmas Luncheon at Alioto's on Wednesday, November 28th.

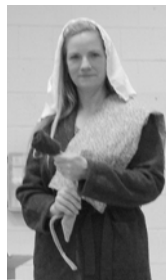
A Special Invitation for Children

St. Therese's youngest members are catching the faith! During Sunday's 8:00AM Mass, children are welcome to join Dr. Guliano, Fr. Hugh, and Fr. Norm for the Lord's Prayer. Please encourage your children or grandchildren to share in this gift of God's love and togetherness.



Leaning About Saints

Parents and children really embraced the Saints during last weekend's God's Littlest People. Children learned that to be a saint you need to: love God with all your heart, pray to God, and help others. The children made teddy bears to give to children without toys, or even homes. Parents did a great job of showcasing saints in an informative Parade of Saints. Mr. Smessaert made for a great St. Joseph, Mrs. Goodacre was a stunning St. Therese, Ms. Eno really took pride in being St. Isidore, Mrs. Hartay was the perfect St. Francis of Assisi, and Mrs. Katie Doyne made Ireland proud as St. Patrick. Thank you to the numerous parents and grandparents who made the morning so wonderful.



Can You Name That Room?

St. Therese has been going through some changes. The 2nd floor of the Parish Office has gotten a makeover and contains rooms that are now being used for catechetics and meetings. With new looks, we need new names. Our challenge to you is "Can you name that room?" The names and places listed in the Bible and our Catholic tradition could be a good starting point.

We would like the people of St. Therese to be part of the naming process. The large main area upstairs will be called "God's Littlest Place," and, appropriately, is where God's Littlest People takes place. One of the unnamed rooms is where Adult Formation takes place, and the second is a wonderful new meeting room. Additionally, we would also like to have what is now known as the "All Purpose Room" receive a more meaningful name. If you are a visual person and would benefit from seeing these spaces, or if you have never been upstairs in the Parish Office, you can take a tour following all of the masses on December 1st/2nd.

Please take an active role in the naming of these areas. For the next several weeks, there will be ballots and boxes at all of the entrances for you to submit your ideas. Be sure to include your name because the winners will receive a small prize. The deadline for submissions is December 9th. The winning names will be announced following that date.

Parish Library

Fall is finally here. It is a great time to read one of the great books we have in our parish library. In the biography section, you can find books about Dorothy Day, Pope John Paul II, Jimmy Carter, Sister Theresa, St. Therese, Oscar Romero, and many others. We also have sections of fiction, self-help, and prayer. And don't forget about the great selection of DVDs and videos. Come check it out.

Decorating for the Holidays

The Art & Environment Committee is looking for a few good men, women and youth to help decorate the church for Christmas. We will start this process on Friday, December 21st at 6:00PM and finish up on Saturday morning, December 22nd starting at 9:00AM if we don't finish Friday evening.

It is a very big undertaking to make our Church look it's best for this very special time of year. We need manpower in order to decorate the trees with lights, the altar with flowers, setting up the crèche, hanging garland, etc. You don't need any talent in decorating, you just need a willingness to help. If you are able to help, please call Kris Pluta at (414) 771-9432 and leave a message of when you are available to help. Thank you so much for volunteering.



Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

Chairperson

Kathy Hubrich (414) 259-1961

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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 Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

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

**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 _____