



Saint Theresese Parish

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We are Saint Theresese 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.

August 24th, 2008

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*Jesus said to him in reply,
"BLESSED are you,
Simon son of Jonah.
For flesh and blood
has not REVEALED this to you,
but my heavenly Father."*

MATTHEW 16:17

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:00AM

Tuesday: 7:30AM

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00AM

See inside for Holy Day Schedules

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:
8:30AM to 12:00PM

Tuesday, Thursday:
12:30PM — 4:00PM

Friday:
Closed

From the Desk of the Parish Director

What is missing from this word: CH_RCH?

The answer: "U" are.

If you are reading this bulletin, you probably are not missing. Are you aware that there is no such thing as St. Therese Parish without you? Our parish Mission Statement proclaims how important every person is. I'm impressed that we proclaim at each Mass that we are "a community of believers who walk together...and strive hand-in-hand..." There was a time when many of us thought being part of a parish meant all we had to do was show up to "pray and obey." We were bystanders who watched from the sidelines while others (staff) did the work.

One of the gifts of Vatican II was to raise our consciousness that we are the church. What Jesus founded was not a group of buildings, but a community of people who were charged with a mission. That mission is to continue the work that Jesus did while He was on earth. We do that by using our gifts in service to others. We do that as a "community of believers" because so much more can be accomplished when we work together. My role as interim Parish Director, and Dr. Guliano's role as your Parish Director, is to give order to the gifts that everyone possesses. Our ministry is to empower you to use your gifts so that we may become the parish God wants us to be.

To use a comparison: The staff and I are the orchestra leaders. You—every one of you—are the members of the orchestra. Every instrument is different but every instrument is necessary and needs to be played to make a beautiful whole. (Wouldn't it be crazy if an orchestra leader tried to play any or all of the instruments during the performance!)

It is very true to say this is your parish. Take ownership. Take responsibility to build it up. In two weeks, (September 6th-7th) we will begin our Parish Support Commitment. This will be your opportunity to indicate what part you will play in carrying out our responsibility to live out our Mission Statement. How will you contribute your gifts?

Remember: You—your gifts and your involvement—are necessary for St. Therese Parish to be a vital church community who "strive hand-in-hand to live as God's people."

Sr. Judy



He knows our thoughts, our words, our deeds each hour of the day. He never fails to listen as we kneel to Him and pray. And even when you often feel your prayers are all in vain, my friend, be still and listen – you can hear Him call your name. He will comfort you in trials, console you when you're blue; you'll never walk alone through life He's always there for you.

We put our hope in the Lord; He is our protector and our help. We are glad because of Him; we trust in His holy name. May your constant love be with us Lord, as we put our hope in You. Psalms 33:20-22

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Margaret Anderson * Vicky Anderson * Lenore Black * Dee Blom
Art Bonk * Bernice Brah * Gianna Capecci * Janice Corak * David Dane
Alberta Duckhorn * Christopher Duffy & Family * Frank Eskra
Ann Farell * Tom Gaughan * Lynn Gordon * Chuck Hillyer
Anastasia Hubbard * Christine Hutchins * Andy Islo
Garnet Jankowski * Joachim Family * Marie Kneifl * Ken Knollenberg
Ann Lackovic * Lynne Lyste * Millie Metz * Aiden & Conner McKenna
Andy Moehr * Sue Monyette * Laverne Mucci * Tom & Glenda Nitka
Brayden Ramus * Gerry Roberts * Frank & Sylvia Schaffer * Susan Sinks
Fran Schmidt * Barbara Schmitz * Karie Schwonke * Carlene Siever
Marcella Kozuh * Tom Sopkovich * Danny Stabo * Marion Stabo
Mary Stoke * Olga Valdovinos * Irene Van Eyck * Deanna Zychowski
Harold Vanden Heuvel * Merle Weber * Virginia Weber

Born to Eternal Life: †Carol Hoppenjan

September Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closed on September 1st, in observance of Labor Day. Office hours change next week Tuesday, September 2nd as Autumn begins. These hours are slightly different than last year, and are on a trial basis. Please note that they are subject to change. The hours for September are as follows:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:

8:30AM - 4:00PM, *Closed 11:30AM—12:00PM noon for lunch*

Wednesday: 4:30PM - 7:30PM

Friday: 8:30AM - 12:00PM

Tuesday Morning Mass

Beginning this Tuesday, August 26th, Fr. Hugh will preside at the weekly Tuesday Mass at 7:30AM, rather than 8:00AM in the chapel. The Liturgy of the Word will continue to be celebrated on Wednesday through Friday at 8:00AM. All are welcome!

Volunteer Opportunities

- ◆ Would you like to be a Church Helper?
Church Helpers can be an individual, a couple, a family with children, etc. The task would be to keep the church tidy by straightening the books, removing any unwanted articles from pews, etc. (Not cleaning.) It could be done at any convenient time during the week. A Church Helper would be responsible for this task once a month. Sound like something you could do? Contact Sr. Judy in the Parish Office at ext. 14.
- ◆ There are several First-Aid Kits throughout the church building. Would you be willing to keep them up-to-date and make sure they are properly supplied? Please contact Sr. Judy in the Parish Office.

We need your
**HELPING
HANDS**





Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, August 24th

No Meetings Scheduled

Monday, August 25th

6:00PM St. Vincent dePaul Society (LIB)

Tuesday, August 26th

No Meetings Scheduled

Wednesday, August 27th

No Meetings Scheduled

Thursday, August 28th

6:30PM Prayer & Worship (STR)

6:30PM Social Concerns (MC)

Friday, August 29th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, August 30th

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, August 31st

No Meetings Scheduled

CH=Church, CHP=Chapel, GLP=God's Littlest Place, GN=Good News Gathering Place, HH=Heck Hall, KIT=Heck Hall Kitchen, LIB=Library, MC=Miriam's Corner, RR=Raphael Room, STR=St. Therese Room

Prayer & Worship Meeting

On Thursday, August 28th, the Prayer and Worship Committee will meet in the St. Therese Room at 6:30PM. All those interested in learning about and being involved in the liturgy are encouraged to come and participate. If you have questions, please contact Cathy or Dusty in the Parish Office.

Green Team Guidance

Easy Math = Green
Easy on the gas pedal =
Easy on the gas tank &
Easy on the brakes =
Easy on the environment =
Easy on the wallet



Faithful Citizenship

Copies of the Wisconsin Catholic Conference's discussions on moral priorities for "Faithful Citizenship 2008" can be found on the Catechesis Table near the Bluemound entrance. Please look them over and take any or all that will be helpful as you make decisions on how to vote at the upcoming elections. There is a primary election on September 9th, and the Presidential election will take place on November 4th. More information can be found on the archdiocesan website: www.archmil.org/election2008.



Employment Opportunity

St. Therese is looking for a **Building Services Associate** to perform cleaning and related services to maintain a well-groomed appearance in all areas of our building. This 25-hour per week position requires the ability to work flexible hours as the position entails some evening and weekend work. If you are interested, please download the full job description and employment application from the "News & Events" page of our website, or contact Sr. Judy in the Parish Office.

Do You Enjoy Singing?

The St. Therese Music Ministry is looking ahead to September and the beginning of another choir season. Please consider joining the St. Therese Sunday Choir this year. The Saint Therese Choir season begins on the first Wednesday after Labor Day, September 3rd and finishes with the Pentecost Sunday 10:00AM Mass, May 31st, 2009. However, many of our members will join us for the portion of the season for which their busy schedules allow. We rehearse Wednesdays from 7:30PM to 9:30PM. On Sundays we meet at 9:15AM to prepare for the 10:00AM Liturgy.

Join this talented and friendly group of musicians to help support the congregational singing on Sunday mornings. Other liturgical events include an Ecumenical Service on Thanksgiving Eve, a Christmas Concert on Christmas Eve, and leading the congregation at the Ash Wednesday evening and Easter Vigil liturgies. Our weekly anthems are drawn from a wide variety of styles in choral literature.

All voices are welcome. 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.

2008 Catholic Stewardship Appeal

The Stewardship Appeal Office of the Archdiocese has notified us that St. Therese has contributed \$27,648 toward its goal of \$32,000. 176 (37%) of St. Therese parishioners have made a contribution. Thank you to those that have already contributed. If you have not yet made your donation (of any amount) please do so using the envelopes found at the church entrances. Every donation will help us reach our parish goal!

Ministry Schedules

- ♦ Greeter schedules for September through December are now available in the Sacristy. Please stop by to pick up your copy.
- ♦ Liturgical ministry schedules for lectors, servers, and Eucharistic ministers for September through December are now available in the sacristy. Please pick up a copy as soon as possible.

Thank You

Thanks for the prayers and expression of concern in recent weeks. I was not able to preside at the liturgies on August 2nd/3rd because I was in the hospital. The previous Thursday, I had a colonoscopy during which the doctor removed a large polyp from my colon. On Friday evening, I began to bleed and on Saturday, I was admitted to St. Luke's Hospital where I had a second colonoscopy (two years off my time in purgatory). On Monday, I was released. On Tuesday, I learned that the removed polyp was not cancerous. The doctor told me I was lucky (he didn't know you were praying for me) and will schedule another colonoscopy in six months (two more years off my time in purgatory). Thanks again for your prayers.

Fr. Hugh

Thank
You.

Readings for the Week of August 24th

Sun: Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20
Mon: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22
Tue: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26
Wed: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32
Thu: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51
Fri: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Mk 6:17-29
Sat: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30
Sun: Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, August 26th

8:00AM †Maurice Wright

Saturday, August 30th

5:00PM †Rosalie Zeibert

Sunday, August 31st

8:00AM People of St. Therese Parish Community and Carmel Yannone

10:00AM †Henny Arnold

Thank You!

CHURCH SUPPORT

Feast of the Assumption: \$301.00

Envelopes/Offertory: \$4235.50

Sharing Total: \$814.00

Vatican II and Beyond

A five part series on the Second Vatican Council will take place at St. Sebastian Parish starting in September. Produced by Rev. Robert Pelton CSC at Notre Dame University, this program enlists the use of DVD presentations with discussions, which will be led by facilitators from the Milwaukee community.

The topics and facilitators are:

- ♦ **Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy**
Fr. Melvin Michalski - Wednesday, September 17th
- ♦ **Pneumatology (Holy Spirit) of Vatican II**
Fr. Tom Suriano - Wednesday, October 1st
- ♦ **Emergence of the Laity**
Mary Carian - Wednesday, October 22nd
- ♦ **Social Teaching of Vatican II**
Dr. Dan DiDomizio - Thursday, November 6th
- ♦ **Becoming a World Church**
Maria Borda-Wiesner - Wednesday, November 19th

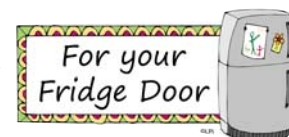
Sessions to be held at St. Sebastian Parish 5400 W Washington Blvd at 7:00PM in the Church Hall.

Enter from 54th St entrance.

Sponsored by the Adult Formation/Education Committee.

Ministry Fair

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Mark your calendars for the first annual "Ministry Fair" that will take place in Heck Hall after each Mass on September 6th/7th. Also watch the bulletin for more information! This promises to be a fun, exciting, and informative event!



Interfaith's Mum & Cookbook Sale

On the weekend of September 6th/7th Greater Tosa Interfaith will be selling mum plants – AND cookbooks at the Bluemound Entrance. The plants will be in 8" pots and sell for \$6.00 each or two for \$10.00. Greater Tosa Interfaith Cookbooks will be available for \$10.00 each. These great books are filled with recipes for appetizers, soups, salads, veggies, side-dishes, main dishes, desserts, and more. There is also a "This & That" section with tips and trade secrets, including napkin folding, cooking terms, calorie counting etc. Purchase a plant or two for a favorite grandparent, relative or friend and a cookbook for yourself! All proceeds go to benefit Greater Tosa Interfaith.



Envision the Possibilities

The Living Well Conference, a joint endeavor of the Southeastern Wisconsin Area Agency on Aging and Catholic Charities, is being held on Friday, September 26th, from 8:00AM until 3:30PM at the Country Springs Hotel in Waukesha, WI. A variety of workshops are offered and the cost of \$20.00 per person includes lunch. Registration deadline is Wednesday, September 10th. For more information, see the brochures are available on the Catechesis Table at the Bluemound entrance.

Know Your Kids' School

Parents and guardians have the primary responsibility for protecting their children from all potential harm. When choosing a nursery, daycare center, or school, parents should inspect the building and grounds to make sure there are no areas where children play or work that are "off limits" to parents. Such facilities should have a policy that welcomes parents to visit the center or school without prior appointment. For particular help you may call Amy Peterson at (414) 758-2232 or petersona@archmil.org.

Source: Philip J. Lazarus, "Characteristics of Safe and Responsive Schools," *VIRTUS*, January 14, 2002.

Mission Trip Opportunity

Interested in a mission trip to Honduras or the Dominican Republic? These trips have been found to be fulfilling experiences of Church in action. Informational meetings will be held at St. Therese in Appleton on September 11th and October 9th. For more information, please contact Cal Martin at (920) 989-2088 or Fr. Bill Hoffman at (920) 733-8568 or check out their website at communityofsttherese.4lpi.com.



Living as God's People

The theme for this year will be The Creed. During the sessions, we will explore what we mean when we recite this beautiful prayer each week in church. For complete information, check out the Catechesis Table in the back of church or contact Cathy in the Parish Office.



Grade Specific Catechesis and Sacramental Preparation

We are expanding the catechetical programming (religious education) this year to include Grade Specific Catechesis in addition to Living as God's People and Sacramental Preparation. Sessions will meet about one time per month on Sunday mornings. For more information please look at the Catechesis Table in the back of church or contact Cathy in the Parish Office.



Mission Sunday

This year, the Mission Sunday recipient is Hearts with Haiti, which is the non-profit umbrella for the St. Joseph's Boys Home and Wings of Hope. Many of you will remember the Resurrection Dance Theatre of Haiti, which performed at St. Therese last fall. The RDTH is also under the Hearts with Haiti umbrella. Bill and Walnes two of the young men who visited last year, will be here September 13th/14th to share their stories and inspire us with drumming and dancing. In order to allow our parishioners more time to meet with them, several events will be planned that weekend. Mark your calendars now!

55+ Social Club

We resume our monthly meetings on Thursday, September 11th in Heck Hall at 11:30AM. If you're not a member now, think about joining us at the September meeting – try us out – socialize with fellow parishioners and enjoy delicious food. Our menu features roast beef & gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad & dressing, rolls & butter. The cost per person is \$7.50 and money and reservations are due on Monday, September 8th. Chuck Damaske, our guest speaker will talk about the Rapid Transit Railway. If you can bring a dessert, please contact Barb in the Parish Office.

Shopping for School Supplies?

Why not shop online? You'll get all the deals, without the long lines or salespeople to deal with! And now, you can help out your parish as well. Office Max, Office Depot, Staples, Target, Walmart, Best Buy and even Dell are just a few of the many retailers that have partnered with GoodSearch. It's easy to get started. Simply go to goodsearch.com and designate St. Therese (Milwaukee) as your charity. 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. It's never been easier to support your parish.

Help Needed

Fr. Hugh teaches a course on grief at Sacred Heart School of Theology (SHST). He gives his students the assignment of conducting a video-taped interview with someone who has experienced the death of a loved one within the last year or so. If you would be interested and willing to be interviewed, please let Fr. Hugh know after any mass or call him at (414) 525-1935. The interview would take place at SHST.

Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

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(414) 453-5750

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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, 12:00 NOON**

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 W Bluemound Rd, 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 _____