



# Saint Therese Parish

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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.

September 14th, 2008

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## Mass Schedule

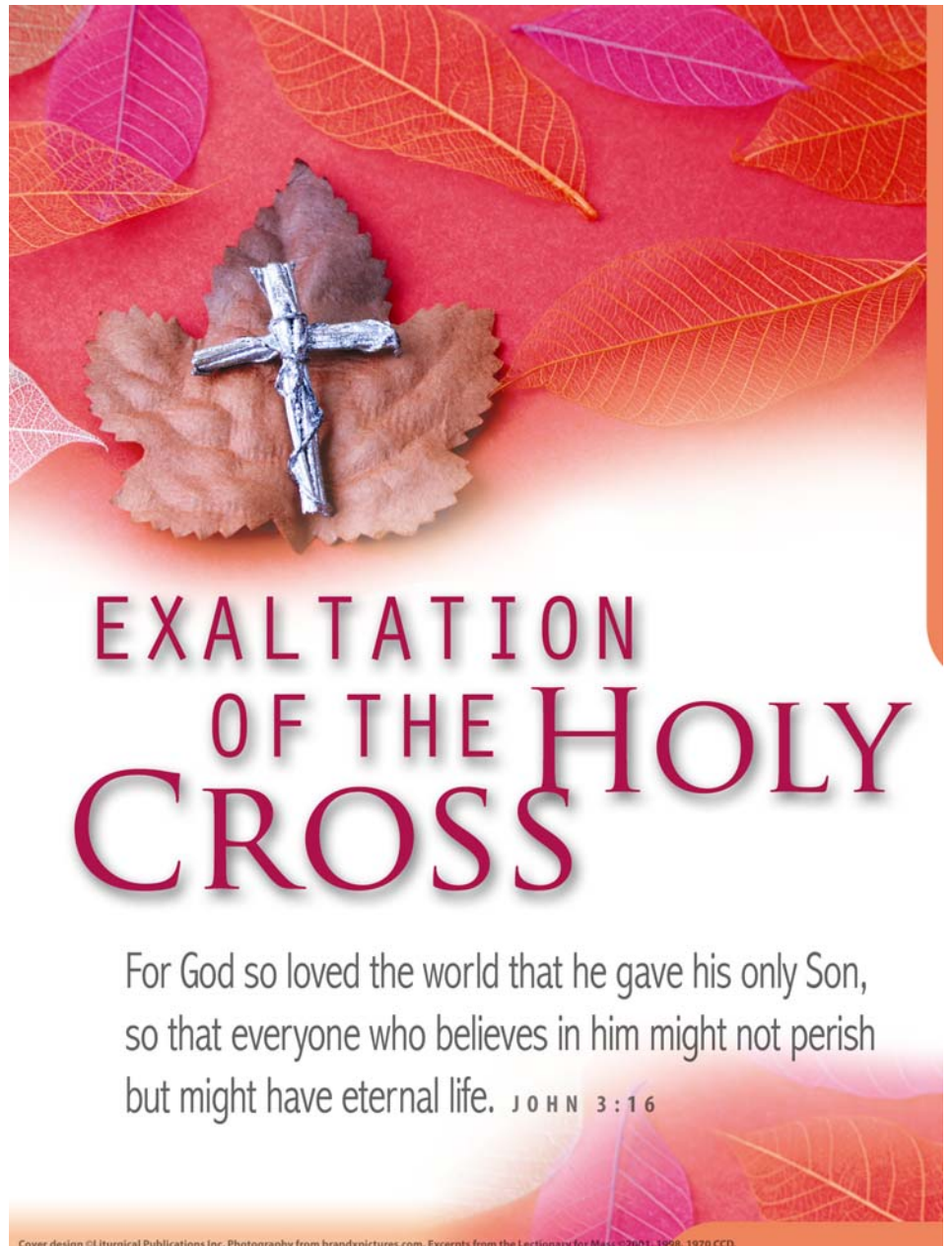
Saturday: 5:00PM

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*



# EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish  
but might have eternal life. JOHN 3:16

**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 11:30AM — 12:00PM*

**Wednesday:**  
4:30PM — 7:30PM

**Friday:** 8:30AM to 12:00PM

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### From the Desk of the Parish Director

Last weekend Parish Support Commitment got off to a good start! Approximately 150 people attended the Ministry Fair in Heck Hall, and as you can see from the pictures in this bulletin, much lively discussion took place. Parish Support Commitment is the time of the year when all parishioners are asked to indicate how they will contribute their time, talent, and treasure to our parish. If you have not yet taken your envelope, please do so today.

St. Therese Parish cannot exist without its members sharing their gifts of time and talent. Sixty-six Ministry Opportunities are available. To which do you feel called? If you are not sure what some of them mean, pick up a copy of "Parish Ministry Descriptions" at the church entrances. Parish ministry is like a pot-luck. When all share their best gifts and talents, the end result is wonderful. At a pot-luck all contributions are important; so in parish ministry every gift and talent is necessary to make a vibrant parish.

St. Therese Parish cannot exist without strong financial support from everyone, as each is able. I ask that your financial contribution be a way that you say "thank you" to God for the blessings you have received. Please contribute financially with that sense of gratitude. Giving freely of our financial resources is not easy for most people. When we give to church with a sense of gratitude to God, an internal freedom is created and God is never outdone in generosity. In determining your financial pledge, ask yourself: "Does this adequately reflect gratitude to God for the blessings I have received?"

This Parish Support Commitment is your opportunity to take ownership for being a member of St. Therese Parish.

*Sr. Judy*

### Pray For Peace

Join our cluster parishes and members of their choirs in a Prayer Service for Peace at Sacred Heart Croatian Church, 917 N 49th St in Milwaukee.



The Prayer Service for Peace will begin at 7:00PM on Wednesday, October 1st. The St. Therese Sunday Choir will participate in this service. Please join us! What the world needs now is peace.



Any day is worth the living if one heart is aching less because of something you and I did, helped encourage and to bless. If some seed of hope was planted turning someone's thoughts above to seek help when all seemed hopeless, trusting God's unfailing love. If we set a sad heart singing that had lost its happy song; if their spirits were made brighter because we had come along, if our own heart was encouraged by another's kindly deed, causing us to be more thankful for our friends in time of need. Any day is worth the living if we first seek God in prayer, asking for His gentle guidance, leaving each day in His care.

*...blessed are they who put their trust in Him. Ps. 2:12*

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 \* Merle Weber  
Neil & Mary Jane Guliano \* Anastasia Hubbard \* Marcella Kozuh  
Christine Hutchins \* Judy & Andy Islo \* Garnet Jankowski  
Joachim Family \* Marie Kneifl \* Ken Knollenberg  
Ann Lackovic \* Lynne Lyste \* Millie Metz \* Virginia Weber  
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  
Gladys Sachse \* Carlene Siever \* Tom Sopkovich  
Danny Stabo \* Marion Stabo \* Mary Stoke \* Olga Valdovinos  
Irene Van Eyck \* Harold Vanden Heuvel \* Deanna Zychowski

### Feast of St. Therese

October 1st is the Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux, our patron.

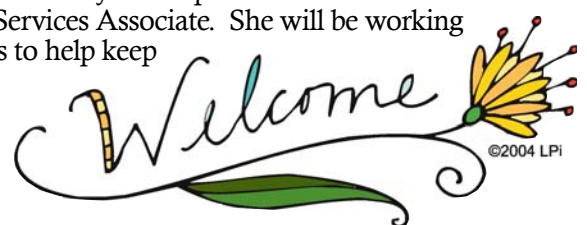
Because it happens to be a Wednesday this year, we will observe it as a parish on the weekend

of October 4th/5th. This year, we also have an added reason to celebrate as Dr. Guliano returns from her sabbatical! We would like to have a small gathering in Heck Hall after all the masses on that weekend. Would you like to coordinate the event? Are you good at getting people involved? We need you! It could be anything from coffee and donuts, to ham and rolls, to a potluck luncheon, but we need people willing to be in charge. We can't have these types of festivities without the generous help of volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Courtney in the Parish Office. Thanks for your consideration.



### Parish Staff News

We welcome Lisa Hartay to our parish staff. Lisa has been hired as the Building Services Associate. She will be working with Mike Davis to help keep our building sparkling clean and in good running order.





## Parish Events for the Week

### Sunday, September 14th—Mission Weekend

Catechesis Sunday

9:00AM Blood Pressure Screening (CH)

9:15AM St. Therese Choir (CH)

### Monday, September 15th

6:15PM Kids in the Middle Kantor Choir (CHP)

6:30PM Christian Formation (MC)

### Tuesday, September 16th

6:00PM First Reconciliation Preparation (GLP)

7:00PM Green Team (LIB)

### Wednesday, September 17th

7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)

7:30PM Praise Band (CH)

### Thursday, September 18th

8:30AM - 6:30PM Prayer Day (CHP)

5:30PM Living as God's People (HH)

### Friday, September 19th

No Meetings Scheduled

### Saturday, September 20th

4:15PM Canticle Choir (CH)

### Sunday, September 21st

10:00AM Mass & Living as God's People (CH/HH)

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

### Mum/Cookbook Sale Success

Our heartfelt thanks to all who purchase mum plants or cookbooks at our event for Greater Tosa Interfaith. We sold 100 plants and all 20 cookbooks! Your generosity will ensure continuation of the much needed services to the elderly in our neighborhoods.

### Faithful Citizenship

With the 2008 Presidential Election on its way, the Wisconsin Catholic Conference has put together an open letter and an eight part series in relation to moral priorities identified in a special document from the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops. The name of this special document is Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility (USCCB 2007). For your convenience, this open letter and eight part series has been put together for you and can be found of the Catechetical table in the back of church. Please take one home to read as you consider the best candidates in the up coming election.



### This Weekend is Mission Weekend

This year, the Mission Sunday recipient is *Hearts with Haiti*, which is the non-profit umbrella for the St. Joseph's Boys Home, Wings of Hope, and Trinity. St. Joseph's and Trinity provide shelter, food, and education for abandoned and orphaned boys. These boys become family to each other. Giving back for what they receive are important lessons they learn; in the spirit of this giving back, the boys encouraged Michael, the director, to take over the Wings of Hope, which provides home for physically and mentally handicapped children. The boys help care for and educate these children.

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 this weekend to share their stories and inspire us with drumming and dancing. Your support of this worthwhile mission is deeply appreciated.

### 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 church or contact Cathy in the Parish Office.

### Living as God's People Begins in September

This year, Living as God's People will look at the Creed. Each week in church we profess our faith, but what does that mean? For the month of September we will consider the topic of God ~ Creator in relation to what we believe. The Thursday session for this month will be on September 18th and the Sunday session will be on September 21st. If you have any questions please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.



### 55+ Social Club

Back by popular demand – another Pot Luck Luncheon – on Thursday, October 9th. Bring a dish to pass – salad, dessert, or main dish. Peg Nugent, Information Services Coordinator of Southeastern Agency will take us through the “Maze of Medicare,” so plan on joining us for this informative meeting.

### 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](http://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](http://goodsearch.com) before you begin your shopping. It's never been easier to support your parish.

### Parish Support Commitment

If you haven't done so already, please pick up your Parish Support Commitment packet from the table near the Sacristy, and return it by October 1st. Please take time to reflect on and pray about your commitment to St. Therese in all areas of time, talent, and treasure. Thank you for your continuing support of our “Little Flower” mission!

**Readings for the Week of September 14th**

Sun: Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
Mon: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Jn 19:25-27  
Tue: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7:11-17  
Wed: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 7:31-35  
Thu: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50  
Fri: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3  
Sat: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15  
Sun: Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a



**Jubilee Celebration on October 25th**

You are invited to join Bishop William P. Callahan at 10:30AM mass on Saturday October 25th to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mass will be held at St. Matthias Parish, 9306 W Beloit Rd, Milwaukee. You will receive a certificate to commemorate your anniversary. Following the Liturgy, a reception will be held in Steiger Hall. Reservations are required, information can be obtained on our website at: [archmil.org](http://archmil.org) (About Us/Our Departments/John Paul II Center/Nazareth Project).

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 10th.

For additional information, please contact: Annette Basaldua: (414) 758-2201; [basaldua@archmil.org](mailto:basaldua@archmil.org) or

Lydia LoCoco: (414) 758-2214; [lococol@archmil.org](mailto:lococol@archmil.org)



**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Tuesday, September 16th**

7:30AM †Henny Arnold

**Saturday, September 20th**

5:00PM †Maurice Wright

**Sunday, September 21st**

8:00AM People of St. Therese Parish

10:00AM †Frida Bippus

Thank you!	CHURCH SUPPORT	
	Envelopes & Offertory	<u>Last Weekend</u> \$6792.30

**Question and Answer**

**How do today's Scripture readings reflect the significance of this Sunday's Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross?**

Typically we associate the veneration of the cross with Good Friday. Today's feast dates back to the discovery in Jerusalem of what was believed to be the true cross by Constantine's mother, Helena, on September 14th, 320. For Christians the cross symbolizes Jesus' complete and total love for all humanity.

The second reading from Philippians (which we also hear on Palm Sunday) proclaims that Jesus did not grasp on to his divinity but rather emptied himself, becoming obedient and attentive to God's will. It was Jesus' faithful living according to God's intentions that ultimately led to his death. Yet, God affirms his Son by raising him up and showing him as the savior of all humanity.

The first reading from the book of Numbers offers the healing and life-giving sign of a serpent mounted on a pole. The serpent, a source of death, is transformed by God's grace into a source of healing and new life for the bitten and poisoned Israelites. The early church writers saw this event as a prefiguring of the cross.

John's Gospel takes up this sign and applies it to Jesus who was also raised up on a pole, the wooden cross. Through his willingness to be raised up in death, Jesus becomes, through God's transforming grace, the ultimate source of healing and life for all of humanity.

Reflect on what meaning the cross has for you.



**Give Thanks. Give Life.**

National Donor Sabbath is a celebration of the gifts of hope provided through organ, tissue, and eye donation. Every major religion in the United States supports donation as one of the highest expressions of compassion and generosity. National Donor Sabbath presents a unique opportunity for faith organizations throughout the country to join together and reflect on the spirit of giving and the importance of organ, tissue, and eye donation as part of the spiritual journey.

Religious leaders and members of the faith community can participate in National Donor Sabbath in several ways. Please visit [donatelifewisconsin.org](http://donatelifewisconsin.org) for ideas on how you can be involved, or call or email Katie at (608) 231-9050 or [kbanik@rtix.com](mailto:kbanik@rtix.com).

**Holy Hill Arts & Crafts Fair**

The 34th Annual Holy Hill Arts & Crafts Fair will be held next Saturday, September 20th, from 10:00AM until 5:00PM. Over 230 exhibitors will be displaying and selling their own creative work. Food, beverages, and live entertainment will be available. Shuttle bus service from the parking lots to the fair grounds. Admission is \$4 for adults, children 12 and under are free. Holy Hill is located on Hwy 167 W—7 miles west of Hwy 41/45.

**Ensuring Your Child's School Is Safe**

Every teacher, coach, and volunteer who works with children in the archdiocese's parishes and schools must have a background check before he or she is permitted to work in any school- or parish-related job or activity that involves contact with children. But what about the children who attend non-Catholic private or public schools? Talk with school administrators and find out what steps they take to protect children from harm. Suggest that they review other abuse prevention programs to ensure that their policies and practices are up to date. Also, demand that all employees and volunteers who work in the school be properly screened, including background checks, before they are allowed to be near your children. For particular help you may call Amy Peterson at (414) 758-2232 or [peterzona@archmil.org](mailto:peterzona@archmil.org)

# The Ministry Fair was a *HUGE* Success!



The Social Concerns Committee members wish to thank everyone who attended the Ministry Fair! Whether you prepared a display, attended the Fair, or simply came to sample the cookies, we are glad you were there. We look forward to seeing you at the second annual Ministry Fair in 2009!



Check out the News & Events page of our website for more pictures!



## Attention Ministry Leaders

If you acquired new members, please make sure to update your roster with Courtney in the Parish Office. Thank you!



Parish Council	
<i>1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM</i>	
<b>Chairperson</b>	
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**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.

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_