



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.

November 2nd, 2008

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Commemoration OF ALL THE FAITHFUL Departed

I am the resurrection and
the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me
will never die.

JOHN 11:25a, 26



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

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:
8:30AM — 4:00PM
closed 12:00PM — 12:30PM

Wednesday:
12:00PM — 7:30PM
closed 4:00PM — 4:30PM

Friday: 8:30AM to 12:00PM

From the Desk of the Parish Director

In last week's column, I made a reference to the importance of Catholic Social Teaching in forming our consciences in preparation for voting. This week I will focus on the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching as articulated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

(The following are excerpts from the USCCB article "Themes of Catholic Social Teaching.")

- 1. Life and Dignity of the Human Person**
The Catholic Church proclaims that all human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the of a moral vision for society.
- 2. Call to Family, Community, and Participation**
The person is not only sacred but also social. How we organize our society in economics and politics, in law and in policy, directly effects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community.
- 3. Rights and Responsibilities**
Human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met.
- 4. Option for the Poor and Vulnerable**
A basic moral test of a society is how our most vulnerable members are faring. The Gospel of Matthew (25:31-46) instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first.
- 5. Dignity of Work and the Rights of the Workers**
If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be protected as well.
- 6. Solidarity**
We are one human family, whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economical, or ideological differences.
- 7. Care for God's Creation**
We show our respect for our Creator by our stewardship of all creation. We are called to protect people the planet, living our faith in relationship with all God's creation.

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Please keep these principles in mind as you prepare to vote this week.

God be with you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano



We honor our patron saints and every saint who has become especially dear to us. Because of their holy love for You, they also care about us and our families, friends, church and neighbors. Thank You for the gift of their friendship and the witness of their holy lives. And, we pray this week for our loved ones who have died, they have received the promise of eternal life from You and are with You in experiencing the joy of heaven.

Merciful Father, hear our prayers as we renew our faith in You. Bless all the saints and all the souls of the faithfully departed.

We pray for all the saints and for all our deceased family, relatives and friends this week, and for all those in our Faith Community who are ill or hurting in any way, especially:

Margaret Anderson * Vicky Anderson * Lenore Black
Dee Blom * Art Bonk * Bernice Brah * Gianna Capecci
Janice Corak * David Dane * Judy Dietz * Alberta Duckhorn
Frank Eskra * 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 Farell * Ann Lackovic * Lynne Lyste
Ceil Maccani * Millie Metz * Aiden & Conner McKenna
Andy Moehr * Laverne Mucci * Tom & Glenda Nitka
Brayden Ramus * Gerry Roberts * Gladys Sachse * Fran Schmidt
Frank & Sylvia Schaffer * Barbara Schmitz * Carlene Siever
Virginia Weber * Susan Sinks * Danny Stabo * Marion Stabo
Shirley Gradisnik * Mary Stoke * Olga Valdovinos
Irene Van Eyck * Harold Vanden Heuvel * Deanna Zychowski

Thank You!

- ◆ To Pauline Gutman, for the donation of an American flag.
- ◆ To Eddie Wozniak, for designing and constructing the new kneeler for the St. Therese Shrine.
- ◆ To the family and friends of Clem Zipperer, for the memorial donations of \$1,000.



Congratulations!

Heather Barron and Matthew Ratkowski celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on Saturday, November 1st.

Ministry Opportunity

Chairperson of Art & Environment Committee Needed

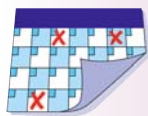
The holidays are fast-approaching! Over the years, our liturgical environment has been beautifully decorated, thanks to the efforts of those who both who were involved in design and set-up. If you are blessed with the talent for designing, decorating, or like to assist those who do, please consider volunteering for the Art and Environment Committee by calling Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

Please Do Not Leave Your Belongings Unattended

Unfortunately, we had another theft in church. A wallet from a purse was taken. Please do not leave your purses, bags, backpacks, etc. unattended when you are in church. Please report any suspicious activity to an usher.

Reminder to All Ushers

Please remember to lock the outer and inner church doors after mass before you leave. Please help keep our building secure.



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, November 2nd

- 7:30AM Canticle Choir (CH)
- 9:15AM St. Therese Choir (CH)
- 11:00AM Parish Council Meeting—Festival (MC)
- 4:00PM An Afternoon to Remember (CH)

Monday, November 3rd

- 6:00PM St. Vincent dePaul Society (LIB)
- 7:00PM Parish Council (MC)

Tuesday, November 4th

No Meetings Scheduled

Wednesday, November 5th

- 11:30AM SVdP Meal Program: Cook (KIT)
- 4:30PM SVdP Meal Program: Serve (OFFSITE)
- 7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)

Thursday, November 6th

No Meetings Scheduled

Friday, November 7th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, November 8th

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, November 9th

- Catechesis Sunday
- 9:00AM Blood Pressure Screening (CH)
- 9:15AM St. Therese Choir (CH)

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

55+ Social Club

On Thursday, November 13th the folks at the Montessori School are treating us to lunch! After lunch the school children will present a musical program. We meet at 11:30AM in Heck Hall and **reservations are required** and due by November 7th. Money and Reservations for our annual Christmas Party at Alioto's on Wednesday, December 17th are due on November 13th. For reservations for these events contact Barb in the Parish Office.

Congratulations!

The following for completing the CPR/AED class given at St. Therese on October 9th:

Dennis Gritzmacher, Alice Kennedy, Betty Lovinus, Leona McGraw, Glen Nowak, Kathy Nowak, Barb Roemer, Carol Rutkowski, Diane Valdovinos, Terry Valdovinos, and Tony Ziebert.



Living as God's People

This year we are discussing the Creed of the Catholic Church. So far we have discussed God the Father and Jesus the Son. In November we will talk about The Holy Spirit and The Trinity. This event will really get you moving! What does that mean? Mark your calendars and plan to attend either the Thursday, November 20th session beginning at 5:30PM or the Sunday, November 23rd session following the 10:00AM Mass to find out more!



Grade-Specific Catechesis

The next Grade Specific Catechesis will take place on Sunday, November 9th. The focus of this session will be the Commandments. During the time the children are with their catechists, Fr. Hugh and Sister Sara Jean will meet with the parents. Fr. Hugh will discuss the Mass from 9:00AM until 10:00AM Mass, and Sister Sara Jean will discuss the readings of the day from 11:00AM until noon. The parent sessions will take place in the chapel.

Special Open Meeting/Listening Session Regarding Festival Sunday, November 2nd after the 10:00AM Mass

The Parish Council will conduct an Open Meeting and Listening Session for all parish members who wish to give input to the Council regarding the Festival. This session will be held this Sunday, November 2nd after the 10:00AM mass in Miriam's Corner. After the session, the Parish Council will meet in closed session to deliberate and decide their final recommendation.

Wall of Remembrance—Month of All Souls

November is the month of remembrance for all who have died. Our parish Wall of Remembrance is displayed throughout the month. Please place pictures of your loved ones on the wall so that we can remember them at every Eucharist we celebrate throughout the month.

Save the Date!

Sunday, December 7th is the date for the Second Annual Breakfast with the Saints. More information will be available on our website and in future bulletins. If you are interested in helping to plan this event, please contact Cathy Smith in the Parish Office.



Donations to St. Vincent de Paul Society

Thanks to all who regularly contribute financially for the support of the St. Vincent dePaul Society. Please note that if you donate cash in donation boxes or in the special envelopes in the pews, it goes directly to the ministries of our parish St. Vincent dePaul Society. If you donate by check, please make out the check directly to "St. Vincent dePaul Society" rather than St. Therese Parish. Any checks for St. Vincent dePaul donated through our collection basket will be given directly to our parish conference of St. Vincent dePaul. Thanks very much!

MICAH

The MICAH Immigration Committee and similar committees in Wisconsin and across the United States recognize that the current national immigration system is totally broken. America needs real solutions, including a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants, family unity, worker protections and strengthened human rights and civil liberties for all Americans. We call for the next president and Congress to introduce immigration reform legislation in the first 100 days of 2009. The MICAH core team invites you to participate in this effort by signing a pledge found at the tables at the entrances to the Church. Boxes for the completed pledge forms are also at the tables.

Readings for the Week of November 2nd

Sun: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40
 Mon: Phil 2:1-4; Lk 14:12-14
 Tue: Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24
 Wed: Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33
 Thu: Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10
 Fri: Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 16:1-8
 Sat: Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15
 Sun: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16 17;
 Jn 2:13-22

 **Mass Intentions for the Week**

Tuesday, November 4th

7:30AM †Margaret Kaegi

Saturday, November 8th

5:00PM †Rosalie Ziebert

Sunday, November 9th

8:00AM †Henny Arnold

10:00AM People of St. Therese Parish and
 †Vera Kleiber

*Thank
 you!*

CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes &
 Offertory

Last Weekend
\$3783.63

Save the Date!

St. Therese 55 Minus Event

You've heard of the "55+ Social Club" here at St. Therese that sponsors monthly events for those 55 years of age and older. Well, on Friday, February 20th, 2009 at 7:00PM in Heck Hall, there will be a special evening event for those **under 55 years of age**, titled the "55 Minus Event." Got your interest? Watch the bulletin for more information on this adult-only event. Limited to 50 participants.

Note from the Green Team

You can recycle used and unbroken compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs at any Home Depot store.

This free service gives you an option for making an environmentally conscious decision. Just take them to the Returns Desk and give them to a store associate. Home Depot takes care of it from there. This is an easy way to be a better steward of our earth.



La Fiesta! and La Posada!

St. Catherine's Parish on 51st and Center has invited St. Therese to their annual La Fiesta following their 9:00AM Mass on Sunday, December 14th. During the Mass there will be a celebration of La Posada. Please plan to attend this multicultural event.

Congratulations Jean Marie Weber!

Jean Marie Weber, Coordinator of Pastoral Formation at Cardinal Stritch University's Saint Clare Center for Ministry Formation will receive the 2008 Vatican II Award for Service in Education.

The Service in Education recipient is honored for making a significant contribution to, and spending a significant number of years of service to



educational ministry within the Archdiocese; evidencing a commitment to lifelong learning; being a proponent of Vatican II theology and ecclesiology; and showing a willingness to take risks in innovative approaches to educational ministry. The person must be recognized by peers as a leader.

Jean Marie is being honored for her years of service in education within the Archdiocese of Milwaukee in the Central Offices; in parishes and schools as a teacher and director of religious education; as president of the National Conference of Catechetical Leadership; as Director of Certification at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Commission on Certification and Accreditation; and as Coordinator of Pastoral Formation at Cardinal Stritch University in the Saint Clare Center for Ministry Formation.

The service awards are given annually in 10 categories, including administration, ecumenism, communication, education, liturgy, missions, priesthood, families and society. Each category reveals a vision set forth in the Church's Second Vatican Council, which speaks of the Church as engaged within the world. Initiated in 1991, the awards honor those who contribute to the vitality and spiritual life of the Catholic Church in the spirit of Vatican II.

The awards will be presented by the Most Reverend Timothy M. Dolan, Archbishop of Milwaukee on Wednesday, November 19th at 7:00PM.

Men's and Women's Retreat

St. Catherine's Parish (51st and Center St) and St. Therese are joining forces to offer both Men's and Women's Retreats. The Men's Retreat will be on Thursday, November 13th from 6:00-9:00PM at St. Catherine's Parish. The Women's Retreat will be on Saturday, November 15th beginning at 2:00PM and ending in time for the 5:00PM Mass here at St. Therese. The fee for each of these retreats is \$5.00. For more information contact Cathy Smith in the Parish Office.

Day of Healing for All Who Mourn the Death of a Child

This Day of Healing is for those who experienced the death of a child, from a stillborn baby to the loss of an adult child. It could be a recent loss or a loss from long ago. Mothers, fathers, grandparents, siblings, and any others are welcome. Members of all faiths are also welcome. The day includes presentations in the morning and afternoon, small group discussions, and concludes with a touching memorial service. Contact Bonnie Bresnahan at (414) 458-2240 or bresnahanb@archmil.org to register or for more information.

When: Saturday, November 8th – 9:00AM - 3:30PM

Where: St. John Vianney Parish Center, 1755 N Calhoun Rd, Brookfield

Cost: \$12.00 per person

Presenter: Dudley Riggle, nationally known for his work with grieving and dying, and parents who have had a child die

Electrical Repairs Update and Cost

Over the past two years, we have experienced several power outages. Each time, the power goes out throughout the church and Parish Offices and in the Milwaukee Montessori School building. A transformer in a pole which delivers electricity to both St. Therese and Milwaukee Montessori School was replaced by Wisconsin Energies several times. Despite this short-term fix, the problem worsened, and we experienced three severe power outages this past summer!

Thanks to Sister Judy Miller and Mari Pavleje, Trustee-Secretary, who met with Debbie Mather, Business Manager of Milwaukee Montessori School, to determine the portion of the repair bill that would be paid by each of us. St. Therese uses 38% of the electricity generated by the pole, and MMS uses 62% of the electricity generated by the pole. Therefore, the total cost of the project—\$22,150 (contract awarded to Nelco Electric, Inc.)—is to be paid in the following manner: St. Therese cost: \$8,417; Milwaukee Montessori School cost: \$13,733.

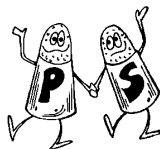
Our cost of this repair, \$8,417, is an extraordinary expense for our parish. While we will pay our portion through our Building Reserve Fund, we welcome any special donations of any amount to help defray the cost of this repair. Currently, our Building Reserve Fund has a balance of \$20,019. Six years ago, when we restricted this account for Building Repairs and Maintenance, we started with \$100,000. As you can see, we need to replenish that fund to keep ahead of the repair costs.

Currently, we have a parish membership of 515 family units. If each of these units, would give a one-time gift of \$17.00 to the parish, we would be able to pay this repair bill without further depleting our Building Reserve Fund. Approximately 60% of our membership supports the parish financially. If every current giver, would contribute an additional one-time gift of \$25.00, we would be able to pay the repair easily.

Thank you for any gift you can give to keep our parish strong and vibrant.

Pot Luck Dinner

Are the costs of food and entertaining getting you down? Then come and join us for the first of four Pot Luck Dinners scheduled between now and spring. The dinner will be held on Friday, November 14th from 6:00 — 9:00PM. Please use the coupon below or register on the News & Events page of our website to let us know how many will be coming, and how you can help to make this community event happen. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Elterine or Cathy in the Parish Office. The deadline to register is Monday, November 10th by 4:00PM.



Join Us for Pot Luck!

Pot Luck Dinner Reservation—Due by November 10th* DUE NEXT WEEK!

Family Name _____ Phone Number (____) _____

Email Address _____ Number Attending _____

I can help set up for this event.

I can help clean-up after this event.

**Please note that by registering to attend, you are agreeing to bring a dish to pass.*

Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

Chairperson

Kathy Hubrich (414) 259-1961

Vice-Chairperson

Alice Kennedy (414) 771-8147

Trustee

Jim Balliet (414) 257-0339

Trustee

Mari Pavleje (414) 545-2733

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Jesse Stringer (262) 442-3710

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Janet Krebs (414) 774-9113

Diane May (414) 476-6238

Richard Sanger (414) 425-2028

Doug Sedlar (414) 258-3996

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 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 _____