



# Saint Therese Parish

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We are St. Therese Catholic Church, a community of believers, who walk together by faith in Christ Jesus, and minister in the Little Way of St. Therese, as we strive hand-in-hand to live as God's people.

November 15th, 2009

## Parish Staff

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### Parish Emergencies

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## Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM  
Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:00AM  
Tuesday: 8:00AM

### Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Thursday, Friday: 8:00AM

See inside for Holy Day Schedules



*“And then they will SEE ‘the Son of Man coming in the CLOUDS’ with great POWER and glory, and then he will send out the ANGELS and gather his ELECT from the four winds, from the end of the EARTH to the end of the SKY.”*

MK 13:26-27

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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*

## 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

On Monday, November 16th, all the liturgical ministers of our parish will meet with the Parish Council at 6:30PM in Heck Hall to discuss our ministries and our mass schedule. Here at St. Therese, our liturgical ministries include the following: Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Lectors, Greeters, and Music Ministers (Choir Members, Cantors, Instrumentalists). Over 100 parish members are involved in these ministries, and we give thanks for their response to the baptismal call to ministry.

The Parish Council will cover the following agenda items with the liturgical ministers—the need for ongoing recruitment and training; the importance of attendance at regular meetings to update and improve the ministries; and creation of a plan of action so that there are enough ministers at all masses.

Over the past several months, there has been a need for all liturgical ministers, but especially, Altar Servers, Ushers, and Eucharistic Ministers at our 8:00AM and 5:00PM masses. Because of this, there is a concern whether we can continue offering three masses on a weekend.

One way to help keep all the liturgies strong is for more of our liturgical ministers to be willing to serve occasionally at other mass times than their preferred time. Several parishes have a “rotating schedule.” While this has not been implemented here, we do encourage those who are able to serve on a rotating schedule to do so for the good of the whole parish.

Additionally, each liturgical ministry needs a coordinator. Currently, we have coordinators for our Lector, Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers (actually the “President” of the Ushers). We need coordinators for the Greeters and Altar Servers. Elterine Jankowski-Biggers coordinates the entire Music Ministry.

Each ministry should have regular meetings at least twice per year for updating, improving ministry, and maintaining good communication.

The Parish Council is also charged with reconvening the Prayer & Worship Committee, an essential standing committee, according to archdiocesan guidelines.

If you are interested in becoming a liturgical minister, or, if you are simply an interested parish member and wish to attend the meeting on November 16th, please feel free to come to the meeting at 6:30PM in Heck Hall.

Thank you for your commitment to the Lord and to our St. Therese Parish Community.

God be with you!

*Dr. Alexandra Guliano*



There are two days in every week about which we should not worry – two days kept free from fear and apprehension.

One of these days is yesterday with its mistakes and cares, its faults and blunders, its aches and pains. Yesterday has passed forever beyond our control. All the money in the world cannot bring back yesterday. We cannot undo a single act we performed; we cannot erase a single word we said. Yesterday is gone. The other day we should not worry about is tomorrow, with its possible adversities. Tomorrow is beyond our immediate control. For tomorrow's sun will rise. Until it does, we have no stake in tomorrow, for it is yet unborn. We can be concerned about the day left – today. Any one can fight the battles of just one day. It is only when you and I add the burdens of those awful externalities – yesterday and tomorrow – that we break down. It is not the experience of today that drives one mad – it is remorse or bitterness for something which happened yesterday and the dread of what tomorrow may bring. Let us, therefore, live but one day at a time.

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Megan Angotti, Lenore Black, Art Bonk, Gene Brah, Gina Carter, Janice Corak, Anna Daevel, David Dane, Len Dushek, Ann Farell, Tom Fera, Theresa Gary, Lynn Gordon, Georgina Guevara, Pauline Gutmann, Chuck Hillyer, Ben Hoener, Andy Islo, Garnet Jankowski, Hannah Johnson, Marie Kneifl, Ken Knollenberg, Marcella Kozuh, William Kranstover, Tom Kreuter, Ann Lackovic, Frank & Raquel Lemanski, Sarah Luck, John Lyste, Karen McAleese, Charlotte Meeks, Chris Melloch, Andy Moehr, Laverne Mucci, Michelle Muschelewicz, Ed Panelli, Ralph Petrie, Nicholas Poehlman, Tanya Praglio, Gerry Roberts, Benjamin Salgy, Sylvia Schaffer, Linda Schmidt, Ted Schmidt, John Schmitt, Barbara Schmitz, Jim Shafer, Carlene Siever, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mary Stoke, Robert John Swiderski, Harold Vanden Heuvel, Merle Weber, Bob Wilcox, Jim Wollenhaupt, Deanna Zychowski

## Please Help Us Keep Our Prayer List Current

It is our privilege to pray for others at our parish liturgies. The General Intercessions are offered at our celebrations of the Eucharist to extend our prayer beyond our parish and assembly. Please help us keep our prayer list current. While we receive many requests for prayer, we are uncertain how long to keep names on our list. If you would like a name to remain on our bulletin and prayer list for mass, please contact Courtney Falk in writing, by phone, or by email and submit the following:

- ◆ the name of the person to be prayed for, with pronunciation
- ◆ your name and contact information (phone or email)
- ◆ how long you are requesting the name remain on the list
- ◆ an agreement to communicate to Courtney Falk in writing, by phone, or email when the person's name should be removed from the list.

We will begin updating the list the weekend of November 15th and will include only the names of those whose information has been updated. Thank you for understanding.

## November Sanctuary Light Dedication

The tabernacle sanctuary candle has been donated in memory of Eldon McGraw by his family.



## Parish Events for the Week

### Sunday, November 15th—Sharing Weekend

- 8:45AM Sunday School (ALL ROOMS)
- 10:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 6:00PM Confirmation Prep (GN)

### Monday, November 16th

- 6:30PM Liturgical Ministry Meeting (HH)
- 6:30PM Christian Formation (STR)
- 6:30PM Library Committee (LIB)

### Tuesday, November 17th

- 6:45PM Finance/Administration (MC)
- 7:00PM Green Team (LIB)

### Wednesday, November 18th

- 6:00PM Altar Server Training (CH)
- 6:45PM Wednesdays with the Word (STR)
- 7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)
- 7:30PM Praise Band (CH)

### Thursday, November 19th

- 8:30AM—6:30PM Prayer Day (CHP)

### Friday, November 20th

No Meetings Scheduled

### Saturday, November 21st

- 4:15PM Canticle Choir (CH)

### Sunday, November 22nd

- 9:10AM St. Therese Choir (CH)
- After Masses Breakfast with the Saints

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

## Donations Needed

Our cost for the parish weekly bulletin is \$500. Advertising helps defray the cost; however, we do not have enough advertising to defray the entire cost. Please consider a donation of any amount to help pay for our bulletin.

## Wednesdays with the Word

Wednesdays with the Word will continue the following Wednesdays from 6:45PM—7:30PM in the St. Therese Room: November 18th, December 2nd, 9th, 15th, and 23rd. Please note that there are no sessions on November 25th and December 30th. Beginning November 18th, there will be no morning sessions.

## Question of the Week:

If today was your last, what would you do with it? Do you feel called to live each day as if it were your last?

## Congratulations to our Newly Trained Ministers

- ♦ Congratulations and thanks to Linda Okhrulica and Ann Maher for responding to the call and completing the training to serve as Eucharistic Ministers.
- ♦ Congratulations to our newly trained Lectors—Sister Lucille Coughlin, SSND, David Drodzowicz, Heather Goeden, Bob Maccani, and Abigail Smith.

## New Baby!

Congratulations to Nikki Prothero Wolasek and Eric Wolasek on the birth of their son, Jack. Jack is also the grandson of Jim and Ricia Prothero and the little brother of Rianna.



## Thank You

- ♦ To Judy Dietz for maintaining the candlelighters.
- ♦ To Wayne, Suzanne, and Sadie Goodacre for joining the Church Helper Ministry.

## Respect Life

Keeping in mind improving health care for all, your concerns now need to be directed to the Senate. Send the message that any form of abortion funding and health care rationing is unacceptable. Please call your senators: Russ Feingold (414) 276-7282 or Herb Kohl (414) 297-4451. Mary, Mother of all life, help us to respect human life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death.

## 55+ Social Club

Our next gathering will be for our Christmas Luncheon at Alioto's on Wednesday, December 16th at 11:30AM. Reservations are due on November 18th.

## Library Corner

New Best Seller available in the Parish Library! The Shack by William Paul Young: The true story of a father who receives a note from God asking him to meet at the shack where his daughter was killed a few years before. Would you go? The father recounts his experience at the shack where he met God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, and all that he learned from them to overcome his great sadness. An engrossing story...check it out!

## Sanctuary Light in the Chapel

Did you know that we always have vigil light burning next to the tabernacle in the Chapel to signify the Presence of Christ in the reserved Sacrament? In the course of a month, we use five vigil candles. The total cost for these candles is \$10/month. We would like to encourage donations for these vigil lights. Please consider dedicating a month of vigil lights for the tabernacle in memory of a loved one, in honor of a special event, or for a special intention. We will begin accepting donations with the month of November. To request a month, please place your donation for the vigil lights in an envelope with the month noted. Please also list your name and telephone number in case we need to contact you. If more than one person requests a specific month, we will accept the first request and assign the others to a different month. Thanks for your understanding and for your generosity.

## Wall of Remembrance—Month of All Souls

We remember them! During the month of November, we will be remembering our family members and friends who have gone before us in death. You are welcome to place pictures of your loved ones on our "Wall of Remembrance." Please remember to put your name and telephone number on the back of the picture.

## Intentions & Readings for the Week



### Monday

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Lk 18:35-43

### Tuesday Mass

2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10

8:00AM †Gustav Schmidt

### Wednesday

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28

### Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM 1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44

### Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48

### Saturday Mass

1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40

5:00PM †Abby Bunzel

### Sunday Masses

Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

8:00AM Irene Enderson

10:00AM People of St. Therese Parish and  
†Jack Kopischke

Thank  
you!

### CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes &  
Offertory

Last Weekend  
\$7201.00

## Waiting in Joyful Hope

This Advent Event will be presented by Sr. Karlyn Cauley, SDS at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall, 1212 N 117th St in West Allis on Sunday, November 29th at 10:30AM. There is no cost to attend but free will donations will be accepted to be given to the Foundation for Religious Retirement (local retirement fund for sisters). Refreshments will be served and Sr. Karlyn's artwork and stationary will be for sale following her presentation. If you have questions, please contact Kathy Smith (not St. Therese's Cathy Smith!) at (414) 453-5192 or [kathy@ihmwestallis.com](mailto:kathy@ihmwestallis.com)

## Craft and Bake Sale

Landmark of West Allis at 1441 S 68th St is holding a craft fair and bake sale on Saturday, November 21st from 9:00AM—3:00PM. The crafts and baked goods are made by the residents and others in the community.



## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

There are many websites out there that proclaim that we are close to the end of time; that the troubles of our not-too-distant past have been the events that were prophesized by many and written of throughout the Bible. These websites tell us how to prepare, what to watch for, etc. But on nearly every single website, you will find advertisements by Google or Yahoo. It is possible to have a website without advertisements; but if we are near the end of times, do these websites really need a revenue stream? If it is nearly over, does money really matter?

In today's Gospel reading from Mark, Jesus was sitting privately with Peter, James, John, and Andrew. They had been discussing the end of times, and the four disciples wanted to know how they would recognize the second coming of Christ. There will be wars and conflicts, he told them; this will happen but does not mean impending doom. Rather, Jesus was most concerned about the destruction of Jerusalem and those who would proclaim to be Jesus himself, performing acts that will cause a distraction among the people. We cannot be distracted; in keeping our faith and our trust in the Lord, we will easily recognize the coming of Jesus Christ.



We have absolutely no idea how or when Jesus Christ will come again, transforming this world into one in which sin is dead and goodness prevails (CCC 1048). We are told to be ever watchful, however, and to do so means to surrender our hearts to God's love. As Catholic Christians, we believe that God loves each and every one of us despite our sins, and wants us all to be saved. And we also believe that "with God, all things are possible."

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## Q When we pray for the dead at our Eucharistic celebrations, for whom are we praying?

A November, the month of All Souls, is dedicated to praying for the dead in a more focused and intentional manner. Catholics believe that praying for those who have died expresses our continual care and concern for those no longer with us. Every Eucharist celebration includes a remembrance of those who have died. The various Eucharistic prayers articulate that remembrance differently. At times we pray simply for "those who have died," while at other times for "those who have died and gone before us marked with the sign of faith." We pray that "these and all who sleep in Christ find in your presence light, happiness and peace." At other times we pray for "our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again" as we ask God to "bring them and all the departed into the light of your presence." We also pray for "all the dead whose faith is known to you alone."

We do not know how people die in relationship with God. Only God knows. But we firmly believe in God's abundant mercy, grace and love. So, we pray that God's limitless mercy and love shine richly and abundantly upon all who have died.

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## These Important Ministries Need Your Help

### Church Helpers

Church helpers clean up the pews after all the weekend masses, assuring that the books, envelopes, and pencils are neatly arranged. Currently we have only two weekends per month covered. We would like to create a schedule with a 5-6 week rotation. A Coordinator is also needed for this ministry. The Coordinator has two responsibilities—making out the schedule and training the ministers. Church helpers would minister approximately once per month. The ministry can be done during the week or on the weekend (before the 5:00PM mass or after the 10:00AM mass). This is an easy thing a family can do for the parish.

### Art & Environment Committee Needed

Currently we are in need of a functioning Art and Environment Committee—a Coordinator and committee to decorate the church for the liturgical seasons. Advent is fast approaching and begins on November 28th/29th. The “church environment” enhances our prayer and worship.

### Altar Servers Ministry Coordinator

A Coordinator is needed for the Altar Server Ministry. This person is the contact for all altar servers, as well as the trainer of new servers.

If you are interested in serving in any of these ministries, please submit your name and contact information to any member of the Parish Council (see contact information at right).

## How We Used the 5th Transfer from the FIOF Trust Fund

On October 26th, our parish received the 5th transfer of funds from the Faith In our Future Trust in the amount of \$6,325.21. The money was used in the following ways:

- ♦ tithe of 10% to our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society: \$632.52
- ♦ payment for the repair of the church steps to Common Cents Masonry: \$1497.50
- ♦ payment for the parking lot light to Roman Electric: \$1076.70
- ♦ reimbursement to the Parish Reserve for the start-up funds for the FIOF account: \$2500.00

Thanks to all who pledged and contributed to our FIOF Capital Campaign. If you wish to pledge or make a one-time contribution, FIOF pledge cards are available on the tables at the entrances of the church.

## A Huge, Heartfelt Thanks!

Many thanks to Courtney Falk and Cathy Smith, the Coordinators of the Harvest Craft Fair! Their tireless and enthusiastic work, refreshing creativity, and strong commitment to our parish community is deeply appreciated. Thanks also to all those who helped the Craft Fair in any way, especially the kitchen crew, the raffle coordinators, the set-up and clean-up crews, and all who donated food, craft items, or money. The entire weekend ran very smoothly, and we received many appreciative comments. We had more than enough volunteers and more than enough food! It seems like everyone had a good time this weekend, so we hope to continue this new tradition in the future.



## All Liturgical Ministers—Important Meeting

All liturgical ministers—Ushers, Greeters, Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Music Ministers, and Choir Members—are asked to attend a special meeting with the Parish Council on Monday, November 16th at 6:30PM in Heck Hall. The main topic for discussion is our mass schedule. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending. If you are unable to attend, please contact Dr. Guliano by phone or email.

## Altered Bulletin Deadline

Due to publication deadlines for the holiday, any submissions for the November 29th bulletin are due by 12:00 noon this **Wednesday, November 18th**. This deadline is firm, so thank you for planning ahead.

## Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

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## Hospital Visits

The Federal Privacy Regulation (HIPAA—Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act) prohibits 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 contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

## Prayer Network/Home Visits

Members of the Prayer Network pray daily for those that have asked for prayers. The intentions are kept confidential. To request prayers or a home visit, please contact Barb in the Parish Office.

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

**Please see article  
at left for altered  
deadline for  
Thanksgiving.**