



Saint Theresese Parish

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

February 21st, 2010

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All the Members of the Parish

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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

Reconciliation: 4:15PM — 4:45PM
1st Saturday of the Month

Anointing of the Sick:
2nd Full Weekend of the Month
Following Each Mass

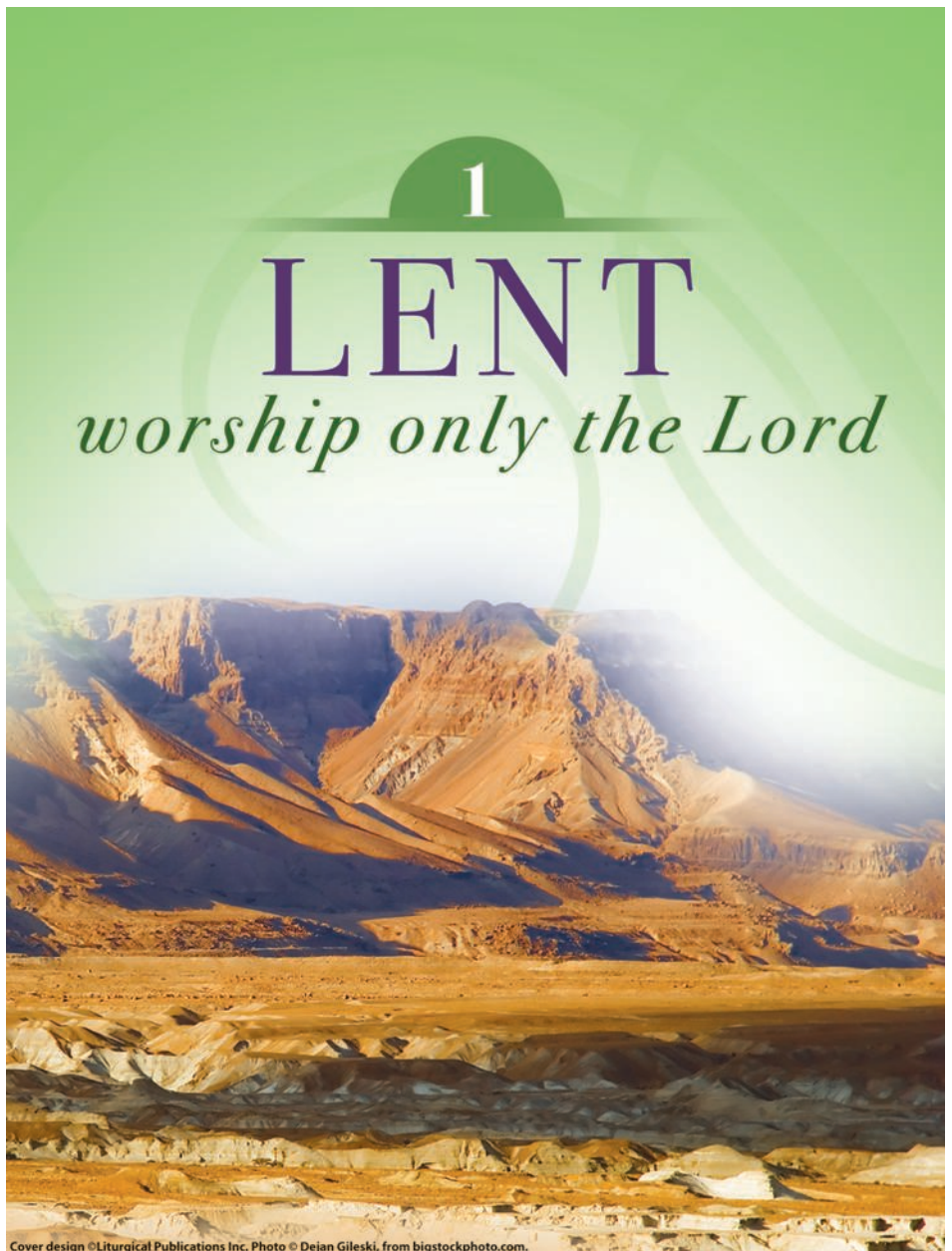
All Other Sacraments:
Please call the Parish Office
Preparation can take six months or more

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



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From the Desk of the Parish Director

- ◆ Thanks to all who contributed to the special collection for the people of Haiti. Last week we sent a check to the Office for World Mission for \$6,200. The Archdiocesan Office for World Mission will send one check, the total of all the money collected from all the parishes of the archdiocese to Catholic Relief Services, who were “on the ground” immediately following the earthquake. As mentioned previously, 1/3 of the money will be used for immediate relief efforts, 1/3 will be given to rebuild the parishes destroyed by the earthquake, and 1/3 will be used for the long-term rebuilding efforts.
- ◆ We have begun the Season of Lent, our forty-day preparation for Easter. For those preparing for the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist, it is a most important time. Our parish community journeys with those who are preparing for these sacraments. Here at St. Therese we are blessed with persons preparing for all the sacraments. This Sunday we celebrate the Rite of Sending for our catechumens and candidates. They and their sponsors, Cathy Smith, and I will take part in the 3:00PM Rite of Election at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist.
They will also take part in the RCIA rites we celebrate here at our parish on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent—rites called “The Scrutinies.” These scrutinies are rites for self-searching and repentance and have a spiritual purpose. The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal, all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect. They are also meant to bring out, then strengthen, all that is strong, upright, and good.
- ◆ Lent is also a time for us who are baptized and fully initiated to renew our baptismal commitment. We engage in the spiritual practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving as means to focus on what it means to be committed to Christ. Take advantage of the powerful graces of these forty days of renewal and ongoing conversion.

God be with you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

Thank You

To Pat D’Amore, Gladys Sachse, and Judy Rahn for answering the call for coordinators for the 55+ Social Club Ministry. Please check the bulletin for upcoming events.



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Help Needed

Unlocking/Locking the Chapel for the Tuesday Mass

Thanks to Rosemary Preschler for unlocking the chapel door for morning mass on Tuesday mornings for the past eleven years. After dedicated service to our parish community, Rosemary has retired from this ministry. We are in need of someone or a few people to continue this ministry. If you are interested and can help, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

Donations Needed

Help keep St. Therese green! Washable cloth tablecloths for all our tables for Heck Hall cost \$250. To donate, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office. Please consider donating these in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion.

Ministry Meeting for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Ushers, and Greeters

In preparation for Holy Week and Easter, there will be a special ministry meeting for all Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Ushers, and Greeters on Monday, March 8th at 6:30PM in Heck Hall. If you are unable to attend, please contact the Ministry Coordinator for your ministry.

Coordinator Needed for Prayer Network

Did you know that St. Therese Parish sponsors a prayer network? People volunteer to pray privately for the intentions sent to them confidentially every month. We are in need of a coordinator for this ministry. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Doyne at (414) 771-7555.

Please Keep Interior Church Doors Closed for Winter

Please help us save on our heating bill by making sure that the inner church doors are closed during the cold winter months. Please refrain from propping the doors open. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

Parish Council Nominations

Hey parishioners, do you want to help guide St. Therese Parish into the future? Well, this is your chance! Nominations are now open for the new Parish Council term which begins in August. Three at-large council member’s terms will be expiring. These council members are Kathy Hubrich, Barb Gritzmacher, and Chuck Jagemann. We thank them for their years of service on Parish Council.

Here’s your part: On the form below, please list any and all parish members, including yourself, who would be good candidates to help guide the parish forward. Nominations are due by March 28th. Please mail them to the Parish Office at the attention of Parish Council, or place the completed nomination form in the collection basket. If you have any questions, please call any of the Parish Council members listed in this bulletin. Thank you.

Parish Council Nominations

List those you wish to nominate below.



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, February 21st

No Meetings Scheduled

Monday, February 22nd

No Meetings Scheduled

Tuesday, February 23rd

8:30AM Bible Study Group (STR)

9:00AM Lenten Almsgiving (MC)

Wednesday, February 24th

7:00AM Morning Prayer (CHP)

6:30PM Evening Mass (CHP)

7:00PM Stations of the Cross (CH)

7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)

7:30PM Praise Band (CH)

Thursday, February 25th

No Meetings Scheduled

Friday, February 26th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, February 27th

2:00PM Second Grade Sacrament Prep (GLP)

Sunday, February 28th

8:45AM Sunday School (ALL ROOMS)

9:10AM St. Therese Choir (CH)

11:00AM Chili Cook-Off (HH/KIT)

5:30PM Teen Sessions (MC)

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

New Year, New Beginnings

Cabin Fever? Join us for a New Year 55+ Social Club New Beginnings on Thursday, March 11th luncheon meeting at 11:30AM. Free Lunch! \$10 dues will be collected. For reservations, please call Pat at (414) 771-4194; Judy at (414) 475-6809; or Gladys (414) 476-1356. RSVP by Monday, March 8th.

Bake Sale for Haiti

In conjunction with the chili event on Sunday, February 28th, we will have a bake sale for Haiti. If you would like to contribute a baked good to this cause please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.

Question of the Week:

What tempts you from obeying and serving God?

Yes, Uganda, We Can!

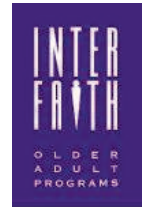
Let us tell you about the grandmothers in Uganda and how they themselves have responded to the help received from Grandmothers Beyond Borders (GMB). In four different areas of Uganda the grandmothers have formed groups and are working together to make life better for their grandchildren. They meet once a month, and if a member of the group is unable to attend someone visits that person to share new initiatives. The grandmothers support each other and share, or pass on, ideas and even animals. Next week you will learn a little about Mary.

Greater Tosa Interfaith Update

Services provided by Greater Tosa Interfaith in 2009:

- ♦ 911 rides for appointments
- ♦ shopped with or for clients 637 times
- ♦ 383 friendly phone visits
- ♦ 685 friendly visits
- ♦ helped with minor chores or home repairs 323 times

Would you like to be a part of one or two services for an older adult? Volunteers are needed. Please contact Diane Euting of Greater Tosa Interfaith at (414) 453-5750.



Lenten Wednesdays

Morning Prayer and Evening Mass

Beginning this Wednesday, February 24th and continuing through Wednesday of Holy Week, April 1st, we will celebrate Morning Prayer at 7:00AM and mass at 6:30PM in the Chapel. A sacristan is needed for the 6:30PM masses on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested in responding to this call to ministry, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

Little Black & Little Purple Books

As Lent approaches please feel free to take a copy of the "Little Black Books" for adults or "Little Purple Books" for children. In each book are daily reflections to consider as you move through your Lenten conversion. Books are available at each of the church entrances.

Organization of Your Financial Records/Estate Planning

Come to this free seminar on Wednesday March 3rd, from 10:00–11:30AM in Miriam's Corner. Refreshments from Sima's Bakery and Alterra Coffee will be provided. Please call Dave Drozdowicz at (262) 243-3125 to reserve your spot.

Respect Life

Keep storming heaven with prayers that all God's people become more aware of what it means to respect life for all. Prayers are being heard. On January 30th, a March for Life was held in Washington D.C. The crowd was estimated to be made up of more than 300,000 people from all over our nation. Estimates also stated that half of the people were under 25 years of age. What a blessing! What a miracle!

Vacation Bible School Already?

Summer planning seems to begin earlier and earlier. Please note that our Vacation Bible School will be June 14th–18th from 8:30AM–noon. Our theme is "Egypt: Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace." VBS will again be a collaboration of several District 12 parishes, but this time over at St. Pius X Church. VBS is open to all children going into K4 through 5th grades. Youth going into 6th grade and above are invited to be group aides and leaders. Look for sign up forms for both children and helpers in early March.

Intentions & Readings for the Week



February Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of †Paul Weidmeyer

Monday

1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday Mass

Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

8:00AM Intentions of Paul & Florence MacGillis

Wednesday Mass

Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

6:30PM No Intention Requested

Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday Mass

Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

5:00PM No Intention Requested

Sunday Masses

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

8:00AM St. Therese Parish Community

10:00AM No Intention Requested

Mount Mary College to Offer Free Diversity Lecture

Mount Mary College will offer a free lecture on diversity issues on Thursday, February 25th from 7:00–9:00PM in Stiemke Hall, located on the second floor of Notre Dame Hall on the Mount Mary campus. The lecture, “Closing the Culture Gap,” will be presented by Mayhoua and Zongcheng Moua, members of the Milwaukee Hmong community, who will speak on their transition to the American way of life. Their discussion will highlight the differences in religion, culture, and family structure. The presentation will also include an illustrated segment on Hmong history. For more information, contact Dr. Shawnee Daniels-Sykes, SSND or Dr. Lynne Woehrl at (414) 258-4810 or visit www.mtmary.edu.

Mass of Healing for Separated and Divorced Persons

Bishop Richard Sklba will preside and preach at the celebration of the Eucharist on Saturday, February 27th at St. Mary Parish in Hales Corners. This is an opportunity for those who have experienced a separation or divorce to gather, pray, and socialize after mass.

Archdiocesan Global Mission

Come, Celebrate and Invigorate our archdiocesan involvement in global mission! One year after the formation of the Global Mission Network of Southeastern Wisconsin (GMNSW) all individuals, parishes and/or organizations who have mission relationships beyond Southeastern Wisconsin are invited to gather at St. Alphonsus parish on March 20th, from 8:30AM–noon. Please visit www.archmil.org/offices/world-mission/mission-network.htm for details and registration. The event is free and all are welcome.

Simply the Word

How will you use this Lent to prepare yourself for Easter? What does Jesus' Passion mean to you? When did you last walk with Jesus through His Passion? Simply the Word invites you to participate in a 4-session Bible study of Jesus' Passion, death, and resurrection, Thursdays, March 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th. On each of the four Thursdays of March, we will be reading and discussing the Passion narrative from St. Luke's Gospel.

This Passion Study is a guided Scripture study in which participants prepare assigned study questions before each meeting, take part in small group discussion, and listen to a reflection and lecture about the selected Bible passages. The lecture presenters for our Passion study are Fr. George Gajdos, Fr. Tom DeVries and Fr. Tom Manahan S.J.

Simply the Word's Passion Study sessions are held Thursday morning 9:00-11:00AM and Thursday evening 6:30-8:30PM at Christ King Parish (please register for either the morning or evening session).

A free-will offering would be greatly appreciated to cover the materials cost. If you plan on joining us for the Passion study, you must register by February 28th, to pick up and prepare the first lesson. To register, contact Barb Clayton at (262) 784-2025 or barbclyton1@aol.com.

Faith in Action

Mike and Kathy McCormack, members of the Twinning Committee at Gesu Parish, have made three trips to Haiti. They are eager to share their experiences in working with the poor. High school students are welcome to attend. This is a free event, but donations of canned goods for Tosa Food Pantry are encouraged and appreciated. The presentation is on February 24th at 7:00PM and held in the St. Jude Parish Hall at 734 Glenview Ave.



Ed Baganz, Gerry Bartz, Lenore Black, Gene Brah, Anna Daewel, Tom Fera, Sr Mary Bride Grubbs, Georgina Guevara, Pauline Gutmann, Ben Hoener, Andy Islo, Garnet Jankowski, Ken Knollenberg, Marcella Kozuh, Tom Kreuter, Ann Lackovic, Sarah Luck, Charlotte Meeks, Chris Melloch, Laverne Mucci, Michelle Muschelewicz, Darleene Regan, Gerry Roberts, Alice Roemer, Sylvia Schaffer, Gladys Shafer, Carlene Siever, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mary Stoke, Robert John Swiderski, Topel Family, Harold Vanden Heuvel, Merle Weber, Bob Wilcox

Living Our Faith with Archbishop ListECKI

Catholic Knights presents “Living Our Faith” television shows, hosted by Archbishop Jerome ListECKI, beginning on Saturday, February 13th at noon on WISN TV 12 and Time Warner Cable's Wisconsin On Demand Channel 411. Shows continue every Saturday at noon through April 3rd, with one exception: there will not be a show on Saturday, March 13th, instead the show will air on Sunday, March 14th at 11:00AM. For more information, visit the website, www.livingourfaith.net

Coordinator(s) for Funeral Lunch Ministry Needed

One of the most valued ministries our parish offers is the Funeral Lunch Ministry. When a family loses a loved one, we not only celebrate the funeral rites here at St. Therese, but also offer hospitality/lunch in Heck Hall afterward. Parish members send baked goods and desserts; the parish provides refreshments, the serving ware, and the servers. Food (the main course and other food) is usually provided through a catering service or through the family. We have averaged approximately ten funeral lunches per year in the past years, since some families prefer to have lunch at a restaurant. At least two coordinators are needed. If you are interested in helping coordinate this ministry, please contact Kathy Doyne, Personnel Committee Chairperson, at (414) 771-7555. Thanks for your consideration.

Need for Improved Signage

One of our parish's strategic goals is to attract more people to St. Therese, which will lead to increased parish membership. Set back from a busy Bluemound Ave, we do not get the attention of many who are looking for a church to call home. Indeed, informal survey of new parishioners indicates most 'stumble in' to St. Therese almost by accident.

The planning committee recommended new, tasteful looking, permanent signage to be installed near Bluemound to let people know about mass times and any special events we host. In 2007, ballpark cost estimates to install an electronic sign controlled from the Parish Office ranged between \$30,000–35,000.

Since our FIOF funds are being used for necessary repairs and updates to our heating and lighting systems and our tithe commitments, the Parish Council is asking for a donation for the new signage. If you are interested in funding this project, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office. Thank you for your understanding and consideration.

Lenten Observances for Fast and Abstinence

The Catholic Church asks each member to preserve the penitential character and purpose of Lent. For this reason:

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and each Friday of Lent.
2. Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, in addition to abstaining from meat, should fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Hence, on those days they should eat only one full meal. Smaller quantities of food may be taken at two other meals, but no food should be consumed at other times during those two days. The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of one's 59th birthday.



Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

Who Will be Named "The Big Bean?"

On Sunday, February 28th, there will be a contest of monumental proportions! It is the First St. Therese Chili Cook-Off! All St. Therese committees, ministries, and groups have been invited to come up with their best chili recipe to compete against one another. Judges have been chosen and the winning group will have the honor of the title, "The Big Bean." But the real winners are the members of the St. Therese Community! For just \$5.00 a person or \$20.00 per family, you will have the opportunity to try three different cups of chili and a bag of chips. For an additional 50¢ you can purchase a can of soda. All proceeds from the chili and soda benefit the St. Therese Community. Starting next week we will be accepting reservations for this fun-family event.

Big Bean Chili Event RSVP Form

Name _____ Phone () _____

Email _____ Number Attending _____

I will: help set up before the event help clean up afterwards

Please return this slip to Cathy by 4:00PM on February 23rd.

Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM
council@sainttheresemilwaukee.org

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Greater Tosa

Interfaith

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de Paul

(414) 462-7837

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 List

It is our privilege to pray for members of our community that are suffering in any way. If you would like to add a name to the list, please submit the form at sainttheresemilwaukee.org/prayerlist or call Courtney 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.