



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.

August 15th, 2010

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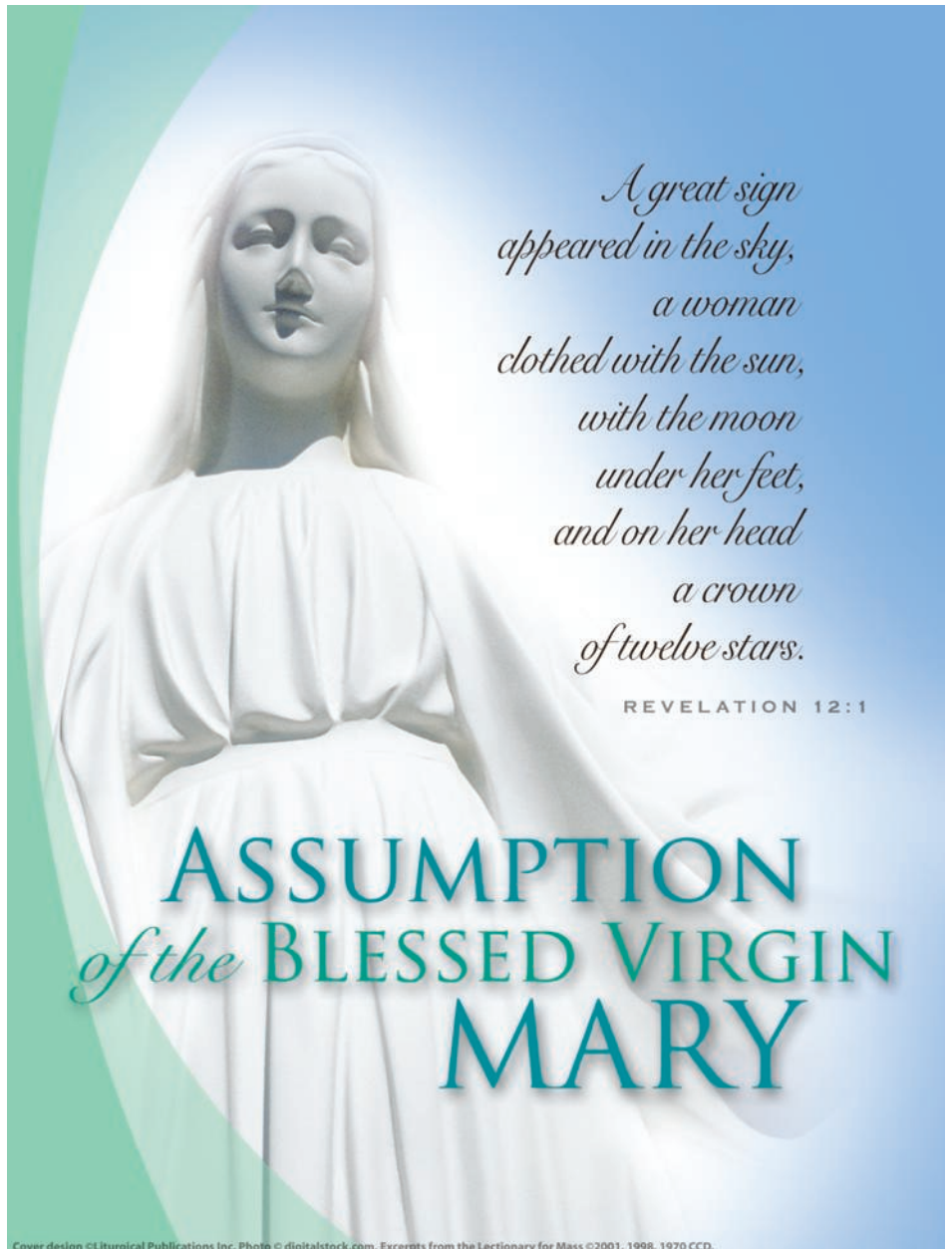
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All the Members of the Parish

Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 — listen for instructions



*A great sign
appeared in the sky,
a woman
clothed with the sun,
with the moon
under her feet,
and on her head
a crown
of twelve stars.*

REVELATION 12:1

ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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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

Summer Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday:
8:30AM — 12:00PM

Tuesday, Thursday:
12:30PM — 4:00PM

Friday: Closed

From the Desk of the Parish Director

◆ We have begun the reorganization of our Christian Formation programs and ministries. Thanks to Alyce Breitweiser for contacting and recruiting catechists for our Children's Liturgy of the Word. Due to the positive response of those contacted, we will be able to offer Children's Liturgy of the Word at our 5:00PM Saturday and 10:30AM Sunday masses. A training session for CLOW catechists and assistants will be held in September. We hope to have CLOW on a regular basis by October, if not sooner!

Next, we will assess our needs for those who will be preparing to receive a sacrament this catechetical year—First Reconciliation, First Communion, Youth Confirmation, Adult Confirmation, and RCIA. We will also be forming a Baptismal Preparation Ministry for infants and children under seven years of age. Our hope is to get as many people as possible involved in the process of catechesis, that is, passing on our faith. If each of us do our part, our parish will be even more alive with the Gospel.

Each of us, as baptized Catholic Christians, has been entrusted with the message of Christ. Please answer the call to help in our whole community lifelong journey in faith. Let us help each other deepen our knowledge and love of our faith.

◆ This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary (August 15th), a holyday, that,

this year happens to fall on a Sunday. "After the horrors of the Second World War, after the death camps, after the first use of nuclear weapons, we Christians needed to remind ourselves of the holiness of creation. In 1950, Pope Pius XII declared...: after Mary's death, God raised her body. She lives with God forever. On Assumption Day, we rejoice that this broken world will be made new again. The barren, the poor, the unloved, and even the dead will be raised into glory." (Mary Ellen Hynes, *Companion to the Calendar*, p. 122.)

In the Holy Land there is a special church called the "Church of the Dormitian," which marks where Mary is believed to have died. The Byzantine Rite refers to this weekend's feast as "The Dormitian of Mary" or, literally, "the falling asleep of Mary." It is also considered a "harvesting" feast as Mary is "harvested" into heaven. Many churches gather flowers and herbs around the statue of Mary to remind us of her song of praise in the Magnificat from the Gospel of Luke: "The Lord has lifted up the lowly. The Lord has filled the hungry with good things."

As we pray this weekend, let us remember those who are preparing for the harvest throughout our world. May this feast call us to renew our care and commitment to share our food harvest with others in need.

May God bless you abundantly!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

Thank You to:

- ◆ Deanna Sullivan for the sacristy donation.
- ◆ The family of Anita Costello for the memorial donation.
- ◆ Dan Goeden for the donation for the Parish House.

Congratulations to

- ◆ Don Castelaz on his 80th Birthday!
- ◆ Brandon Stephen Westbrook, son of Holly (Soik-Eckes) and Douglas Wesbrook, who was baptized on August 8th.



Donate Sanctuary Candle for a Month

The sanctuary candle in the chapel signals and indicates the presence of Christ in the tabernacle. The cost of the candles per month is \$10. Please consider donating for the cost of the sanctuary light in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. The following months are available: December 2010 and May, June, July, November, December 2011. Requests will be honored in the order received. Thank you for your understanding.

Welcome!

Please welcome new parishioner, Mary Hagemann, to St. Therese!



Donations Needed

- ◆ The security system for our parish building needs to be replaced and updated. The cost to do this is \$4000. Please consider a donation to help defray the cost of this much-needed system.
- ◆ \$150 for green lightweight vestment for our priest presiders

Rides to Church Ministry

We would like to help those in our parish who need a ride to church. Those needing a ride to church once or twice a month would be paired with parish members who live in the area willing to take the person to church. If you are interested in either of these ministries, please contact Kathy Doyne at (414) 771-7555.

Friendly Reminder to All Liturgical Ministers

If you are unable to minister at an assigned liturgy time, please arrange for a substitute. Crossing your name off the list for ministry on a particular day indicates that you have checked in and are in church for ministry. Please refrain from simply placing a note "need a sub" or "open" on the schedule. Thank you for taking the time to assure that we have a full complement of liturgical minister at each celebration of the Eucharist.



CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory \$4884.59

Please remember St. Therese in your will!



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, August 15th—Feast of the Assumption

No Meetings Scheduled

Monday, August 16th

6:00PM St. Vincent DePaul Society (MC)

Tuesday, August 17th

6:45PM Finance/Administration (MC)

7:00PM Green Team (HH)

Wednesday, August 18th

No Meetings Scheduled

Thursday, August 19th

8:30AM–6:30PM Prayer Day (CHP)

6:30PM Human Concerns (MC)

Friday, August 20th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, August 21st

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, August 22nd

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 List for Mass

How to Add/Remove a Name

Need to remove or add a name to the Prayer List?

Please kindly send an email or call Courtney Falk, Administrative Assistant in the Parish Office. You can always leave a message after office hours, too. Also, you can add a name to the Prayer List online through our website: sainttheresemilwaukee.org/prayerlist Please kindly follow this process so that we can ensure that your requests are honored and prayer is offered.

Food for the Hungry Needs You

Food for the Hungry, Inc. delivers bakery to over 700 meal programs and food pantries in Southeastern Wisconsin. We serve over 100,000 people in need each week. We are in desperate need for volunteers to help deliver or load vehicles in Milwaukee and Waukesha County a day or two for a few hours each week. Look us up on our website foodforthehungryinc.org for more information about our ministry. If you can help, please call Mike Czarnecki at (414) 771-0715.

Question of the Week:

How can I be like Mary, as a model of Christian love, faith and humility?

Sharing Sunday Recipient

The St. Joseph Worker Program, sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph, provides young women the opportunity to give a year of their lives in service to their community. These young women work full-time jobs with disadvantaged populations and receive in return room and board and a small monthly stipend. The workers live in community, have opportunities to grow spiritually, and become leaders for social change. Please support their desire to give of themselves to change their community and be changed by their choice.



Donations of Food Items Needed

Our harvest Craft Fair will be here before you know it! We need your help to make it as profitable as possible. Last year, we raised almost \$5000 from this 2-day event. The biggest help for us was the donations of food items. We're counting on you, our generous parishioners, to help again this year. At this time, we are asking for the following items:

- ◆ Single serving bags of chips
- ◆ 3 large bottles of ketchup
- ◆ 3 large bottles of mustard
- ◆ Large bags of nacho chips
- ◆ Bottled water (any brand approximately 18 oz each)
- ◆ Cans of soda (in these flavors only please!): diet and regular Pepsi, diet and regular Coke, Mountain Dew, 7-Up
- ◆ Baked goods: We obviously don't want these until just a few days before the event, but if you would like to commit to baking something, please call or email Courtney in the Parish Office.

To donate any of these items, please bring them to the Parish Office any time during business hours. Please do not leave these items in church. If you have questions, or would like to know how else you could help, please call Courtney in the Parish Office. Thank you for anything you can do!

Grandmothers Beyond Borders

Whether you are a grandmother or have a grandmother you cherish, we know that the wisdom and support grandmothers give us is priceless. Grandmothers Beyond Borders invites you to join us on Grandparent's Day to learn about the grandmothers in Africa, specifically Uganda, who are so courageously burying their own children due to HIV/AIDS and raising their grandchildren in absolute poverty. We will have Ugandan treats, grandmother handmade crafts, and a brief presentation. This event will take place on September 12th from 1:00–3:00PM. Please RSVP to Alice Kennedy at: (414) 771-8147 or lal_kennedy@sbcglobal.net Celebrate Grandparent's Day by celebrating these brave grandmothers!

Looking for a Bible Study?

Join Metro Bible Study

For a Study of The Acts of the Apostles

Times and Places:

- ◆ Tuesdays, 7:00–9:00PM, beginning September 14th
St. Dominic, Brookfield
- ◆ Wednesdays, 7:00–9:00PM, beginning September 15th
Holy Apostles, New Berlin
- ◆ Thursdays, 9:30–11:30AM, beginning September 16th
St. John Vianney, Brookfield

Cost: \$50 single or \$75/couple

Registration: Now until September 3rd, or until space is filled.

Questions: Contact Miles Vilski (262) 251-8897; Lucy Clancy (262) 641-9193; or Jo Ann Hagner (262) 785-9164

Intentions & Readings for the Week



August Sanctuary Candle

Intentions of Judy Dietz

Monday

Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday Mass

Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30

8:00AM †Gerry Bartz

Wednesday

Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14*

Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40*

Saturday Mass

Ez 43:1-7b/Mt 23:1-12

5:00PM †Charlie Lovinus

Sunday Masses

Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

8:00AM †Theodor Schmidt

10:00AM St. Therese Parish Community and
†Sister Ann Eschweiler

Dear St. Therese Parishioners,

As you know, over the past two months the Parish Council has been praying about, reflecting, and discussing the wide range of suggestions parish members have submitted for our weekend mass times. We have decided, for the good of the parish, the following weekend mass schedule: 5:00PM Saturday mass of anticipation; Sunday 8:00AM and 10:30AM, effective September 5th, 2010. We feel it is important for you to understand all the factors that led to this decision.

First of all, thank you for the ideas you submitted to the council for consideration. Over the past couple of months, we examined each option for its merits and seriously deliberated the respective impacts on our faith community. Just to recap, we had reviewed suggestions to adjust the Saturday mass time as early as 4:00PM and as late as 6:00PM; and to begin our Sunday morning masses as early as 6:00AM and as late as 9:00AM and to celebrate the second mass as early as 9:00AM and as late as 12:00PM. We also had suggestions to eliminate the Saturday mass, to have only one mass on Sunday for the entire parish community, to have no Sunday morning mass, and to have a Sunday evening mass at 5:00PM.

We considered each option by asking ourselves these questions, which reflect our values and the limitations we have to make some of the suggestions possible:

- ♦ How will changes affect the current arrangements with our priests?
- ♦ How can we best accommodate the needs of parishioners who want to deepen their faith life through organized programs we either offer today, or hope to offer in the future?
- ♦ How can we allow enough time for Dr. Guliano, Fr. Hugh, and Fr. Norm to participate in these programs?
- ♦ Is there an opportunity to improve the quality of ministry training, usually done between Sunday masses, by allowing more personal training time?
- ♦ How can we accomplish the above with the minimum amount of disruption to the schedule to which our parishioners are accustomed?

It is your Parish Council's responsibility to find and recommend ways to enrich the spiritual lives of all the parishioners we represent, and to continue implementing our strategic plan. In making this decision, we feel we are creating an environment for the whole parish to take advantage of the lifelong catechesis programs offered at St. Therese.

The recent resignation of the Coordinator of Parish Catechesis does not alter the need for expanded formation time between masses. While her departure may cause some delays, whoever serves in that ministry will also need adequate time to present parish-wide catechetical programs.

Over the summer, you will hear more about the vision for whole parish catechesis, the programs currently offered, and what you can expect to gain by participating.

In the meantime, should you have any questions regarding this decision, whole parish catechesis, or anything else, please feel free to contact any one of us on parish council.

St. Therese Parish Council

**Feast of the
Assumption**



Daniel Babl, Ed Baganz, Bela Bartha, Lenore Black, William Bohnaker, Gene Brah, Anna Daewel, Tim Dondlinger, Ben Durbka, Amy Frank, Andrew & Maria Grosch, Pauline Gutmann, Wally Hesselbein, Andy Islo, Garnet Jankowski, Ken Knollenberg, Ann Lackovic, Hildegard Lang, Sarah Luck, Chris Melloch, Lori Mikula, Laverne Mucci, Michelle Muschewicz, Tom Nyman, Deanna Pollito, Gerry Roberts, Tom Scardina, Sylvia Schaffer, Gladys Shafer, Carlene Siever, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mary Stoke, Robert John Swiderski, Jim Swiecichowski, Dan Van Eyck, Harold Vanden Heuvel, Merle Weber, Shirley Wiedmeyer, Anne Young

2010 Catholic Stewardship Appeal Update

As of July 31st, 152 St. Therese Parish members have contributed \$30,067.72 for the support of the 2010 Catholic Stewardship Appeal. We have reached 94% of our goal of \$32,000. Thanks to all who have contributed to this appeal which funds our archdiocesan ministries. Contribution cards are on the tables at the entrances of the church. If you have not already donated, please consider a one-time donation to this appeal.

Liturgical Ministry Schedules

Liturgical ministry schedules for lectors, servers, Eucharistic ministers, greeters, and ushers for September through December are now available in the sacristy. Please pick up a copy as soon as possible. If you are interested in joining one of the ministries, please contact the appropriate coordinator below.

Altar Servers: Jim Balliet (414) 257-0339
EMs: Lisa Stringer (262) 442-3856
Greeters: Audrey Wright (414) 771-2140
Lectors: Lisa Hollander (414) 443-9656
Scheduler: Mari Pavleje (414) 545-2733
Ushers: Dan Goeden (414) 430-7322

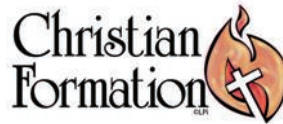


Reminder to Liturgical Ministers

Ushers, Altar Servers, Lectors, Greeters, and Eucharistic Ministers Please remember to check in the sacristy before mass begins and to cross of your name on the Liturgical Ministries Schedule. That way, we will know that you are present for ministry and won't think we need to call for a substitute for your assigned ministry. Thanks very much!

Parish Catechesis & Lifelong Faith Formation News

Our Christian Formation ministries for lifelong catechesis and faith formation are being reorganized. If you ever wanted a voice in these programs, if you are willing to step forward to make sure St. Therese is a viable and active community, concerned with its future and the needs of our children, young people, and adults as they walk the journey of faith, now is the time to step forward and become active in this critically important and exciting ministry.



The Christian Formation Ministry is in need of committee members as we reorganize the Christian Formation Committee, according to archdiocesan guidelines. Although the meeting schedule has been the third Monday of the month from 6:30PM to 8:00PM, this time can be changed, depending on the availability and preference of the members. Currently, we have a working group of three—Alyce Breitweiser, Pat Safavi, and Alice Kennedy—who are willing to assist in reorganizing our catechetical ministries.

For more information, questions, or to volunteer to serve on the Christian Formation Committee, please contact Alyce Breitweiser at (262) 786-8086 or Alice Kennedy at (414) 771-8147 or lal_kennedy@sbcglobal.net. Remember our baptismal commitment to live our faith, to share it, and to pass it on to others. We have a very real opportunity to do that now.

All New Art & Environment Committee

A&E is now a committee under Building Services. Denise and Whitney would like to invite you to join a **new A&E Committee**. This committee will be involved in the liturgical environment changes for each season. Bring your helping hands, artistic eyes and idea-filled minds and join us for a little work mixed with a lot of fun. The new A&E committee will have a monthly meeting (except June & July) to *discuss* and *organize* the details of any upcoming liturgical environmental changes. Members will have a clear idea in advance of what will be expected of them so these changes can be done quickly and efficiently. We would like to have a working, well-staffed committee, formed by late September (the more people the better). All interested parishioners (men, women, and young adults) please contact Denise or Whitney (by phone or email) in the Parish Office. We look forward to working with the great volunteers in our St. Therese Community.



Parish Council

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

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(414) 453-5750

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(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 a pastoral visit, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

Prayer List for Mass

It is our privilege to pray at our weekend masses for those in need. If you would like to add a name to the list, please complete the form at sainttheresemilwaukee.org/prayerlist or call Courtney in the Parish Office.

Need Prayer?

Call the Prayer Network at
(414) 607-0681.

Bulletin deadline:

Monday, 8:30AM

Announcement deadline:

Thursday, 12:00 NOON

All submissions must be in writing; email preferred.