

# 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.

December 9th, 2012

# Parish Staff

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Ministers

All the Members of the Parish

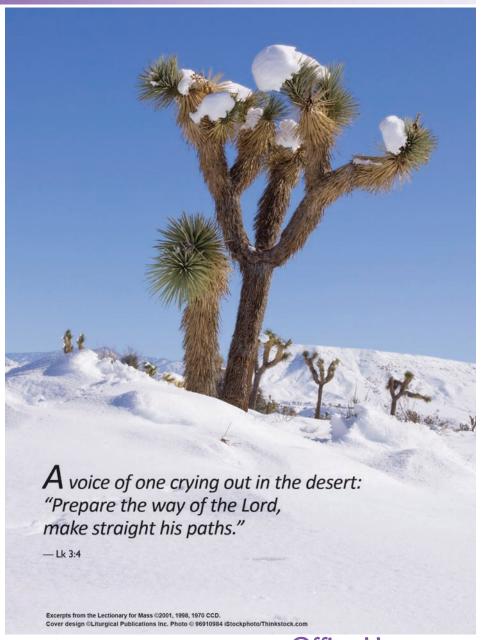
Parish Emergencies (414) 771-2500 – listen for instructions

# Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM Sunday: 8:00AM Sunday: 10:30AM Tuesday: 8:00AM

Liturgy of the Word with Communion: Thursday: 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 - 7:30PMclosed 4:00PM -4:30PM

Friday: 8:30AM to 12:00PM

# Welcome to Saint Therese Catholic Church, Milwankee, Wisconsin

#### From the Desk of the Parish Director

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of our parish, to thank all who attended the public hearing on the proposed power lines on Tuesday, November 27th. We had an excellent showing of St. Therese Parish members at both the 1:00PM and 6:00PM hearings. Approximately 50 people from our parish attended, and 12 advocating the below ground option for the power lines. Thanks also to those who took the time to post comments and concerns on the Public Service Commission website, who telephoned the PSC, and who sent letters through the US Mail.

At this writing, we have not heard a decision regarding the placement of the power lines. We will announce and publish the decision as soon as we are informed of it.

I would like to publicly thank our neighbors, Milwaukee Montessori School, for all they have done and spent to further the cause for buried power lines. They took a comprehensive approach and hired a bevy of professionals to bolster the case for buried lines environmental and civil engineers, attorneys, a public relations firm, and other consultants

Special gratitude to our trustees, Kathy Hubrich and Jim Balliet and Parish Council Chairperson, Jim Holmes, and Jeff Roemer for their leadership and for all the extra time and attention they gave to prepare for these hearings.

During this Holy Season of Advent, please keep our parish and its future in your prayers.

Come, Lord Jesus! Maranatha! Come, Lord Jesus!

# Dr. Alexandra Guliano

# Information on Snow Closings for the Parish

In the case of snow or any other reason for closing, the information will be reported on WISN Channel 12, WISN.com, and radio stations 96.5 WKHL, 102.9 "The Hog," Jammin' 98.3 and Big Buck Country 106.9. Please look for **St. Therese in Milwaukee** for our information. In the past there has been confusion since there are several "St. Therese" and "St. Theresa" parishes in the archdiocese. Please also note that we rarely cancel mass; if we do so, it will be stated.

# Donate the Sanctuary Candle in Memory or Honor of a Loved One

Please consider donating the sanctuary candle (that burns in front of the tabernacle). The cost is \$10 per month. Currently, only the month of February 2013 has been scheduled. The rest of the months throughout 2013 are open. Months will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. To donate, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office or e-mail her (e-mail address on the front of the bulletin).

#### Thank You

- To Eddie Wozniak and Jenny Jablonsky for donating the remaining fans and stands for the church.
- To Judy Dietz for donating the Pastoral Patterns Prayer Book for mass.

#### Congratulations to Our New Eucharistic Ministers

Congratulations and our thanks to our new Eucharistic Ministers –Wiley Vivians and Maggie Fangmann. Thanks to Chuck Jagemann, Christine Jensen, and Dr. Guliano for training them.

# Please Note-Special Sunday Mass Schedule for December 23rd, 4th Sunday of Advent

On Sunday, December 23rd, the 4th Sunday of Advent, we will celebrate mass at 9:00AM **only** instead of at 8:00AM and 10:30AM. Mass intentions will be combined for that mass. The Art and Environment Committee will be decorating the church for Christmas after the 9:00AM mass. Help is welcome!

#### Pictures from the Wall of Remembrance

Pictures from the Wall of Remembrance are available in the sacristy in a box labeled accordingly (near the sound system tower).

### Holiday/Holyday Mass Schedule

- Christmas Eve Intergenerational Family Mass–Monday, December 24th at 4:00PM
- Christmas Eve Night Mass–Monday, December 24th with a 10:00PM Choir Concert followed by Mass
- Christmas Day Mass-Tuesday, December 25th at 9:00AM
- New Year's Day (Solemnity of Mary/World Day of Prayer for Peace)—Tuesday, January 1st at 9:00AM

Sign-up sheets for liturgical ministers are in the sacristy. Thank you for taking the time to sign up to minister during these high holydays!

#### Please Note: Altered Bulletin Deadlines

Due to the Christmas and New Year Holidays, please note the following changes to the bulletin deadlines:

- The deadline for the December 16th bulletin has passed.
- The deadline for the December 23rd bulletin is Thursday, December 13th at 8:30AM.
- The deadline for the December 30th Bulletin is Thursday, December 20th at 8:30AM.
- The deadline for the January 6th, 2013 bulletin is Thursday, December 27th at 8:30AM.

Please plan accordingly to ensure your announcement is included.

# Altered Office Hours for the Month of December

Please note the following changes to the Parish Office Hours during the month of December:

- Monday, December 10th Open from 8:30AM until 1:30PM
- Thursday, December 13th Open from 12:00PM until 4:00PM
- Friday, December 14th Open from 8:30AM until 11:30AM



# December 9th, 2012 . Second Sunday of Advent



Sunday, December 9th – Second Sunday of Advent Sharing Weekend

#### Advent/Christmas Library Display

9:10AM Cherub Choir (CH)

9:10AM Eucharistic Minister Training (CH)

9:10AM Parish Council Agenda Meeting (STR)

9:45AM Saint Therese Choir (CH)

10:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)

#### Monday, December 10th

No Meetings Scheduled

#### Tuesday, December 11th

8:30AM Bible Study (STR)
3:00PM Canticle Choir (MC)

3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Ages 3-K5 (GLP)

6:30PM Finance/Administration Committee (MC)

#### Wednesday, December 12th

3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Ages 3-K5 (GLP)

7:00PM Music Ministry (CH)

7:30PM Saint Therese Choir (CHP)

#### Thursday, December 13th

3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Grades 1-3 & Grades 4-6 (GLP)

#### Friday, December 14th

11:30AM 55+ Social Club Christmas Party (Auoto's)

#### Saturday, December 15th

4:15PM Canticle Choir (CH)

#### Sunday, December 16th

9:10AM Cherub Choir (CH)

9:10AM Eucharistic Minister Training (CH)

10:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (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

# **Advent Giving Tree**

The Sharing Sunday Committee is collecting Advent Giving Tree gifts again this year! Giving Trees are located at each exit to the church. If you are interested in buying a Christmas gift for someone in need, please take a tag from the tree, buy the gift and return it to church with the GIFT TAG ATTACHED on or before the date indicated on the tag. Our 2012 Advent Giving gifts will be shared with the men, women and children being served by the following organizations: Allis Care Center, Catholic Charities, St. Vincent de Paul Society (Myanmar Refugee Families); Penfield Children's Center and Veteran's Administration Hospital. Thank you for your generosity.

# This Weekend is Sharing Weekend

Our December sharing collection is for our sister community in the Dominican Republic – La Sagrada Familia. In 1981, a relationship of ministry between the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and the Diocese of San Juan de la Maguana in the Dominican Republic began and has developed into a relationship of sharing faith and friendship, solidarity and on-going ministry. There is no industry or manufacturing in the area and the people face the challenge of earning their "daily bread" through agriculture in a semi-arid area of the island. In spite of the hardship, they manage to produce bananas, plantains, tomatoes and tobacco. Generally, this does not provide sufficient income for even a low cost of living. Many live in wood or cement block housing without plumbing, drinkable water or consistent electricity. Hurricane Sandy was quite devastating to the area and they are still in the process of evaluating the damages. Right now, they are collecting mattresses, clothes, food and mosquito nets. Please be as generous as you can to these special people who have lost so much.

#### St. Therese 55+ Christmas Luncheon

The 55+ Christmas luncheon will be held on Friday, December 14th, at Alioto's Restaurant. We will gather at 11:30AM, eat at 12:00PM. Our entertainment will be audience participation, asking Santa, "What one wish would I want to ask from Santa?" If anyone would like to donate a new item/s for prizes, please bring them on that day. Thank you.

### Liturgical Ministry Sign-Up

Sign-up sheets for servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, greeters, and ushers for January through April are now available in the sacristy. Please indicate your Mass preferences and special requests in the spaces provided. The sign-up sheets will be available through Sunday, December 9th. Schedules will be ready the following weekend. If you are interested in joining one of the ministries, please contact Heather in the Parish Office. Questions? Contact: Jim Balliet (Server Coordinator) 257-0339, Ann Maher (Lector Coordinator) 453-4437, Judy Dietz (Eucharistic Minister Coordinator) 607-0681, Audrey Wright (Greeter Coordinator) 771-2140, 466-8060, or Mari Pavleje (Scheduler) 545-2733.

#### Thank You!

Many thanks and blessings to all who donated to the SVDP-Myanmar Refugee Project. There are seven new families arriving next week. Please remember them in your prayers. If you would still like to help out the members of this invisible community, please consider donating one of these items on their wish list: blankets, coats, boots, mattresses, microwaves and a guitar. Please contact Sue Mac Gillis at (414) 607-1954 for more information and where to drop off your donations.

#### It's This Weekend!

#### Treats at the Advent/Christmas Library Display

A treat for you and it's all free! This weekend at the Bluemound exit, choose from a large display of excellent movies on DVD, CD's, Christmas storybooks for children and good inspirational reading for adults. If you check out an item you'll be eligible to enter a free raffle for a gift basket. Enjoy a hot cup of coffee and a homemade treat! Don't miss this special Yuletide event!

# Fund-raising Results

Thanks to the efforts of 11 parishioners who worked and a generous donation from two other parishioners who weren't able to work, St. Therese earned \$1,878 working in concessions at Miller Park during the 2012 Brewers season. We're planning to do it again during the 2013 season, and it would be great to have more people involved.

Watch the bulletin for more information, but if you just can't wait until January to find out more, you can contact Mari Pavleje at (414) 545-2733 any time.

# December 9th, 2012 . Second Sunday of Advent

Intentions & Readings for the Week

December Sanctuary Candle Sahar Safavi

Sunday, December 9th

Bar 5:1-9/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Monday, December 10th

Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 11th

Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14

8:00AM †Fred Sachse

Wednesday, December 12th

Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:26-38

Thursday, December 13th

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15* 

Friday, December 14th

Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday Mass, December 15th

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

5:00PM Sr. Lucille Coughlin

Sunday Mass, December 16th

Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

8:00AM †Abby Bunzel

10:30AM St. Therese Parish Community and

†Tom Coughlin



Baby Grady, Mimi Albano, Lenore Black, Judith Bolton, Gene Brah, Alyce Breitweiser, Kathryn Brinn, Dolores Brunner, Terri Brunner, Helen & Larry Bugni, Joan Butler, Tim Dondlinger, Gertrude Dushek, Kaylin Dushek, Leonard Dushek, Mary Ehrmann, Barbara Fischer, Mary Fischer, Ethel Forster, Doris Griger, Andy Grosch, Wally Hesselbein, Andy Islo, M. Rose and Michael Jules, Chuck Kestner, Ken Knollenberg, Joe Landry, Shirley Leinss, Ann Leys, Pete Lovinus, Mary Jane Lucas, Neil Massey, Lori Mikula, Karen Nycz, Rachel Ragatz, Judy Rahn, Barb Redzich, Barbara Schmitz, Harriet Schnarsky, Terry Shinn, Carlene Siever, Joel Simpson, Marion Sinks, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mark Stabo, Salvatore Vallone, Pius Vetter, Don Wackholz, David White

Born to Eternal Life: †Florence Friedman, grandmother of Jason Shields and †Bill Doyne, brother of John Doyne

#### Lawn Crew Members Needed

If you are looking for a way to donate some time and talent, consider joining the lawn crew. For information please contact Denise Dostalek our Building Services Coordinator 414-640-2973 or email at denise@sainttheresemilwaukee.org

### Liturgical Ministers Scheduled for December 15th/16th

	5:00рм	8:00am	10:30am
Lectors	Bingham, A. Pankratz, J.	Goeden, H. Gorak, G.	Metz, Sr. M. Wright, A.
Altar Servers	Balliet, J.	Goodacre, W.	Safavi, P.
Eucharistic Ministers	1	Hauck, J. – 1 Heinz, B. – 2 Kennedy, A. – 3 Krebs, J. – 4	Rickert, P. – 1 Brown, A. – 2 Borst, Bob – 3 Borst, Barbara – 4 NOT FILLED – 5
Greeters	Pinto, Carols Touchett, P. Graf, V.	Webb, C. Valdovinos, D. Krebs, J.	Rahn, J. Andrews, K. DelVecchio, B.
Ushers	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Goodacre, S. & S. Webb, W. Holmes, B.	Kolesari, G. Moehr, D. Nowak, G. Nowak, J.

#### District 12 Family Reconciliation Service

District 12 has scheduled a Family Reconciliation Service during Advent. It will be held at St. Catherine Parish at 51st and Center Streets at 10:00AM on Saturday, December 15th. Fr. Hugh will be hearing confessions. All members of St. Therese Parish are invited to attend.

#### Donated Items for Sr. Ann Christine

Sr. Ann Christine is still collecting Campbell soup labels, education coupons and milk caps for a Catholic school. She is also collecting 2013 calendars, especially pocket size for shelters and the VA hospital. Old, clean calendars can be used for their pictures by the school children. Toiletries and coffee from motels and hotels are still passed on to the shelters. Please do not bring any Christmas items and/or cards after

December 16th. Items can be placed in the black crates on the table outside of the chapel.

# Church Helpers Needed

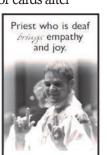
Church Helpers needed to straighten out the hymnals and envelopes in Church. This is a great way for families to donate some time and talent to Saint Therese. For more information please contact Denise Dostalek our Building Services Coordinator 414-640-2973 or email at denise@sainttheresemilwaukee.org.

## Committee/Group Secretaries, Please Note!

Lately we have had a lapse in communications, and the correct times and dates of meetings and events has not been communicated to Heather Goeden, our Administrative/Pastoral Assistant. In order to assure that there is reserved meeting space and accurate information in the bulletin calendar, please communicate all meeting times and room requests as well as changes of these times and dates.

# Archdiocesan Prayer & Worship Blog

The Prayer and Worship Office for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee has a blog that includes announcements and resources for those that have an interest in Liturgy and Music. It can be accessed at http://archmiloremus.blogspot.com/.



Fr. Christopher Klusman is the first profoundly deaf priest to graduate from Saint Francis de Sales Seminary and one of only a handful in the U.S. Like our other newly ordained priests, he's eager to help us celebrate the sacraments and live the gospel. Your gift to the Catholic Stewardship Appeal provides vital support for the Seminary, now preparing 32 men to serve in parishes. Please give generously!

Go to catholicappeal.org for details.

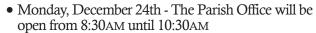
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# December 9th, 2012 . Second Sunday of Advent

# Christmas Holiday Parish Office Hours

During the week of Christmas, the Parish Office Hours will be as follows:





- Tuesday, December 25th The Parish Office will be closed for the Christmas Holiday
- Wednesday, December 26th The Parish Office will be closed
- Thursday, December 27th The Parish Office will be open from 8:30AM until 4:00PM
- Friday, December 28th The Parish Office will be closed
- Monday, December 31st The Parish Office will be open from 8:30AM until 10:30AM
- Tuesday, January 1st, 2013 The Parish Office will be closed for the New Year Holiday.

Regular Office Hours will resume on Wednesday, January 2nd, 2013 at 12:00PM (noon).

## Please Note-One Mass Only on Sunday, January 6th

We will celebrate only one mass on Sunday, January 6th at 9:00AM due to our priests' availability. Rev. Tom Witliff will be our help-out presider on Saturday, January 5th at 5:00PM and Sunday, January 6th at 9:00AM. Our regular Sunday mass schedule of 8:00AM and 10:30AM masses will resume on Sunday, January 13th.

#### Flower/Candle Memorial Donations for the Christmas Season

Please consider remembering a loved one or special intention by donating a memorial during the Christmas Season. Please fill out the form below with your donation of any amount and return it to the collection basket or send it to the Parish Office. Thank You!



Candle and Flower Dona	ations—Please Print Clearly
Donor Name	
Phone ( )	Amount Enclosed \$
Select one:   In Memory	y 🗖 In Honor 🗖 In Thanksgiving
Intention	
Publish in bulletin? 🗖 Yes	S □ No □ Print intention, not donor

# New Hymnal Project Update

A great big Thank You to all parishioners who gave of their time and talent to launch the New Hymnal Project. Special thanks go to Judy Dietz, Heather Goeden, Denise Dostalek, Fred Hahn, Dan Hubrich, Wiley Viviens, Mary Pavleje, the Prayer and Worship Committee, the Canticle Choir and the St. Therese Choir for their efforts in making certain the hymnals and hymnal racks were installed by December 1st.

Donations are still being accepted for pew versions of the hymnals. Please fill out the form below and return it with your donation to Elterine in the office or put it in the collection basket during mass.

# Order Form for the GATHER Hymnals – Please Print Pew Hymnals: \$15.50 Quantity Choir Hymnals: \$26.50 Quantity Total amount: \$ A Gift from: In Memory of: AND/OR A Gift form: In Honor of: If you are ordering more than one hymnal please use a separate form for each.

#### Parish Council

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

#### Chairperson

Jim Holmes (414) 258-9195

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**Greater Tosa** Interfaith (414) 453-5750 (414) 462-7837

Saint Vincent de Paul

#### 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 Heather Goeden 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 Heather in the Parish Office.

#### **Need Prayer?**

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

# deadline:

The deadline for the December 16th bulletin has passed. Next available bulletin is December 23rd. All Subminer 23rd. writing; email present.