



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.

February 24th, 2013

Parish Staff

Parish Director

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(414) 771-2500 – listen for instructions

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday: 8:00AM
Sunday: 10:30AM
Tuesday: 8:00AM
Wednesday: 6:30PM

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:
Thursday: 8:00AM

See inside for Holy Day Schedules



Second Sunday of Lent

While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. — Lk 9:29-31

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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

• Thanks to all who attended the Special Parish Meeting last Sunday, February 17th! Thanks also to members of the Parish Council who worked “behind the scenes” in preparing the food for the dinner, the set-up for the hall, and attended to all the details of the process. Between now and the Annual Meeting—May 5th—the Council will be reviewing all the comments and questions. Anyone or any group that submitted (and signed) a question for response will receive an answer as soon as possible and before the Annual Meeting.

• One issue covered in the meeting was the critically growing priest shortage. By the year 2020 or perhaps even before, the numbers of ordained priests available for assignment in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will decrease to 100. The number of parishes to be served is 203. Clearly, the model of even one priest per parish cannot be filled. While it is true that retired priests can be help-outs at parishes, they do so at their own prerogative.

It was emphasized, over and over again, the statements from the document 2020 Parishes and Pastoral Leadership,

All current parishes will continue to operate as separate parishes or as partners in clusters unless a parish petitions the archbishop to merge with another parish or parishes.

Also, the document 2020 Parishes and Pastoral Leadership does not call for the closing of any parishes. Again,

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What that means very clearly is for any parish to merge with another parish and become a new entity, it must petition the archbishop. Also, the parish is a legal civil corporation, and in order to be dissolved, there would be a legal as well as canonical (church) process.

• Another clarification we reviewed was the number of

parishes and the number of clusters projected for 2020. It is projected that the number of parishes would remain the same—203 parishes, and 175 of these would be clustered into 72 clusters of parishes. 28 parishes are so large that they will not be clustered with another parish. Various media have misinterpreted this statistic around the country and has reported that the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will experience a reduction to only 100 parishes. **Not true.**

From the document: “A cluster is a grouping of geographically bordering parishes working together on a shared vision and ministry plan. Clustering involved collaboration, but it is a formal relationship between parishes leading to the sharing of various resources.”

We, St. Therese, form a cluster with St. Vincent Pallotti Parish and Sacred Heart Croatia Parish. As a cluster, we are to collaborate with each other. From the document: “Collaboration is the willingness of two or more entities to work together on common projects for mutual benefit.” Some examples of collaboration are our Peace Prayer Service, Youth Confirmation, Vacation Bible School, or ministry projects.

During this Season of Lent, I will focus my columns on reviewing the content of our February 17th meeting, and, as time and space permit, addressing questions raised. Finally, as mentioned at our meeting, when in doubt, get the facts. Rumors are the easiest thing to spread. I think they even outdo the internet or any other communications vehicle. The sad reality is the damage and hurt rumors can cause.

Our Parish Council and standing committees are working hard on behalf of the parish. We give thanks for them.

God be with you on your Lenten Journey!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

Parish Director

Note: If all goes as planned, I will be on retreat from March 3rd-15th and back to the parish the weekend of March 16th/17th. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Donation Needed

• \$200 for Lenten priest vestment (chasuble)
Please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office if you wish to donate this item in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion.



CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory	\$ 4,492.30
Ash Wednesday	\$ 223.74
Special Maintenance Collection	\$ 105.00
Air Conditioning Donations	\$ 60.00

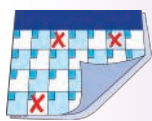
Please remember St. Therese in your will!

Liturgical Ministry Sign-Up for Lent, Holy Week, and Triduum

All liturgical ministers are asked to sign up to minister at our Lenten, Holy Week, and Triduum liturgies. Plan now to serve at this holiest time of the year! Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Ushers, and Lectors are needed.

Stewardship Update

As of February 17th, a total of \$283,945.50 has been committed from 236 parish families/members. We have reached 75.7% of our goal of \$375,000. Thanks to all who faithfully financially support our parish and its many ministries.



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, February 24th— Second Sunday of Lent

Lenten Giving Hospitality

- 9:10AM First Communion Preparation (GLP)
- 9:15AM Committee/Group Chair Meeting (MC)
- 9:45AM Saint Therese Choir (CH)
- 10:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 11:45AM Prayer & Worship Committee (MC)

Monday, February 25th

- 6:30PM Library Committee (LIB)

Tuesday, February 26th

- 8:30AM Bible Study (STR)
- 3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Ages 3-K5 (GLP)

Wednesday, February 27th

- 3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Ages 3-K5 (GLP)
- 7:00PM Music Ministry (CH)
- 7:30PM Saint Therese Choir (CHP)

Thursday, February 28th

- 7:00PM Green Team Lenten Program (MC)
- 3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Grades 1-3 & Grades 4-6 (GLP)

Friday, March 1st

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, March 2nd

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, March 3rd – Third Sunday of Lent

- 7:30AM Canticle Choir (CH)
- 9:00AM Usher Pancake Breakfast (HH)
- 9:10AM First Communion Preparation (GLP)
- 9:45AM Saint Therese Choir (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

Congratulations

To Dr. Max Liebl and Dr. Vivan Tran on the birth of their second child, William Tran Liebl, born on February 10th, 8 lb. 20z and 20" long. William Tran is the little brother of Allison. Max and Vivan are currently working and ministering in southern California, where Max is a Vascular Surgeon and Vivan is in Family Practice. They were (and still are) a part of our parish community while in medical school at the Medical College of Wisconsin. Vivan was a member of our St. Vincent de Paul Society, and Max became a fully initiated Catholic through our RCIA process in 2004.

Usher Pancake Breakfast

The annual Usher's Pancake Breakfast is next Sunday March 3rd. All parish members and visitors are invited to attend. Breakfast will be served from 9:00AM to 1:00PM in Heck Hall. Prices are \$6 for Adults, \$4 for children ages 3-10, and children two and under are free. All funds raised at the event will support Greater Tosa Interfaith. If interested in volunteering for this event contact Jim Saucedo at (414)771-0100.

Parish Council Seeking Nominees for the Upcoming Year

Please prayerfully consider whether serving on Parish Council would be a way to show gratitude for all that God has given. Continue in the momentum that began with our special parish meeting on Sunday. Be a part of a group of people who, with the input of our faith community, make important decisions facing our parish. Parish Council members will be giving pulpit announcements regarding nominations in the upcoming weeks. Please consider nominating yourself or another parish member for this rewarding ministry.

Cheesecake and Kringle Fundraiser

Don't forget to order your cheesecakes or kringles before the deadline of Sunday, March 10th. Additional order forms are available in church or by calling Janet Krebs (414) 774-9113 or Mari Pavleje (414) 545-2733. Orders will be available for pickup on Saturday, March 23rd from 12:00PM-2:00PM. All orders must be picked up that day. Remember, too, that payment must accompany your order. If you have any questions, please contact Janet or Mari.

Lenten Giving

Lenten Giving for 2013 will go to World Wide Hunger Relief. Please check out this cause at worldwidehungerrelief.org. Envelopes are available at the exits. Return donations by April 6th/7th.



Weather Closings Information 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.

"Food for Thought" Lenten Series

The Green Team is sponsoring a Lenten Series on four consecutive Thursdays, beginning on Thursday, February 28th and concluding on Thursday, March 21st. The sessions will run from 7:00PM – 8:30PM. Refreshments will be provided. Participants will explore how our dietary choices mesh with spirituality, justice and the wise use of the food resources which God has entrusted to us (*Genesis 1: 29-30*). Please register for this Lenten Series (so we can order the session materials) by returning the form below to Heather Goeden in the parish office, or contact her via the instructions on the form. Bon appetite!

Food for Thought Lenten Program Registration

Name _____
 Phone () _____
 Email _____

To register, please drop the completed slip in the collection basket or at the Parish Office, or contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office at (414) 771-2500 Ext 13 or heather@sainttheresemilwaukee.org.

Intentions & Readings for the Week



February Sanctuary Candle

The Kirsh & Lemanski Families

Sunday, February 24th

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

Monday, February 25th

Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, February 26th

Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12

8:00AM Jessica's Healing and Paul & Jessica's Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, February 27th

Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

6:30PM For the health of Pete Lovinus

Thursday, February 28th

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31*

Friday, March 1st

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday Mass, March 2nd

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

5:00PM †Maria Grosch

Sunday Mass, March 3rd

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

8:00AM †LaVerne Mucci

10:30AM St. Therese Parish Community and †Shirley Wiedmeyer



Mimi Albano, Lenore Black, Judith Bolton, Gene Brah, Alyce Breitweiser, Kathryn Brinn, Terri Brunner, Marjorie Corak, Rachel Corak, Jean Dalnodar, Loretta Dolbert, Tim Dondlinger, Kaylin Dushek, Leonard Dushek, Mary Ehrmann, Barbara Fischer, Mary Fischer, Ethel Forster, Doris Griger, Andy Grosch, Mary Ann Hesselbein, Andy Islo, M. Rose and Michael Jules, Chuck Kestner, Ken Knollenberg, Joe Landry, Shirley Leinss, Travis Lerchen, Ann Leys, Pete Lovinus, Mary Jane Lucas, Neil Massey, Lori Mikula, Susan Monyette, 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, Gina Stone, Ruth Stueckroth, Salvatore Vallone, Pius Vetter, Don Wackholz, David White, Anita Yaeger

Born to Eternal Life:

†George Schultz, Jr., brother of Betty Weckwerth

†Richard Becker, brother of Audrey Wright

Liturgical Ministers Scheduled for March 2nd/3rd

	5:00PM	8:00AM	10:30AM
Lectors	Bingham, A. Pankratz, J.	Mickey, M. Goeden, H.	Coughlin, Sr. L. Sanger, M.
Altar Servers	Balliet, J.	Goodacre, W.	Maccani, C.
Eucharistic Ministers	Pinto, Catherine – 1 Dietz, J. – 2 Nee, A. – 3 Gritzmacher, B. – 4 NOT FILLED – 5	Gill, Jane – 1 Okruhlica, L. – 2 Jagemann, C. – 3 Krebs, J. – 4	Safavi, P. – 1 Anderson, L. – 2 Borst, Bob – 3 Borst, Barbara – 4 NOT FILLED – 5
Greeters	Touchett, P. Graf, V. Gritzmacher, B.	Jagemann, S. Manthe, K. Krebs, J.	Andrews, K. Sincere, K. D'Amore, P.
Ushers	Gritzmacher, D. Egan, J. Lemke, D.	Goodacre, S. & S. Seidl, D. Webb, W.	Sauceda, L. & J. Sauceda, J. & C. Szablewski, N. Dushek, R.

Building and Grounds / Lawn Crew

Warm up your soul with warm bowl of chili and the offering of your talents and service. There will be a Building and Grounds/Lawn Crew Meeting to prepare for the upcoming season on Friday, March 15th at 6:00PM in Miriam's Corner. All members should plan on attending. If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining either group please invite them to join us. Contact Denise Dostalek, Building Services Coordinator, to confirm your attendance by March 10th.

Want More Fundraising for the Parish?

Do you want more fundraising for the parish? Great! Fill out the fundraising form for submission to the Finance/Administration Committee, get the approval, get your crew together and go for it. Of course, we get all kinds of ideas from parishioners, but what we need is more than ideas, we need people who are willing to coordinate and follow-through on the ideas. We get requests but the message is that "someone else should do it." "Someone else" is no one else. Want fish fries and chicken dinners? Volunteer to coordinate the effort, get your crew of workers together, and make money for the parish. Often we hear "We should have more fundraisers." What we need is people to coordinate and work on these. Interested? Get the fundraising form online from the parish website or request one from Heather Goeden in the Parish Office. Get a crew of workers together. Publicize your effort, and raise money for the parish community.

Usher Coordinator Needed for 5:00PM Mass

Thanks to Gladys Sachse and Rich Sanger for coordinating the Usher Ministry for the 8:00AM and 10:30AM masses; and to Shari Egan for coordinating the Usher Ministry for holydays of obligation and special masses. We are in need of an Usher Coordinator for the 5:00PM mass. The Coordinator's job would primarily be making sure that there are a full complement of Ushers at the 5:00PM mass by filling the Not Filled positions on the schedule and communicating any pertinent information regarding that mass to the ushers who minister at that mass. If you are interested in responding to this call to ministry, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office.

Lenten Information, Sacrament, Catechesis, and Prayer Opportunities

Lenten Observances for Fast and Abstinence

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

- Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and each Friday of Lent.
- 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.

Lenten Sacrament, Catechesis, and Prayer Opportunities

- Morning Mass on Tuesdays at 8:00AM in the Chapel, followed by Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions.
- Evening Mass on Wednesdays at 6:30PM in the Chapel, beginning on Wednesday, February 20th.
- Morning Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 8:00AM on Thursdays in the Chapel.
- Stations of the Cross following the Wednesday Evening Mass, usually beginning at 7:05PM. Please gather in the center section of church.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation—Individual Confessions on Saturday, March 2nd at 4:15PM and Saturday, March 23rd at 4:15PM.
- District 12 Communal Penance Service—Saturday, March 9th at 10:00AM at St. Margaret Mary Church
- Communal Anointing of the Sick—March 9th/10th after all masses in the Chapel
- Palm Sunday Stations of the Cross for Children (and Families)—Sunday, March 24th at 9:15AM. Please gather in the center section of church.
- Palm Sunday Stations of the Cross for All Creation—Sunday, March 24th at 6:00PM. Please gather in the center section of church.
- “Food for Thought” Lenten Series sponsored by the Green Team. See inside of bulletin for details.

Thank You

To Ann Maher, who coordinated the 1st Annual Ministry Thank You, and those who helped with set-up, take-down, clean-up, and serving—Rick, Dashiell, and Noah Reinders, Whitney Strohmeier, Denise Dostalek, Kathy Hubrich, Wiley Vivians, and Pat Hall.

Coordinator and Crew for Easter Vigil Hospitality Reception Needed

It has been our custom over the past several years to have a reception and hospitality after the Easter Vigil, the main celebration of our liturgical year. In order to continue this well-received hospitality celebrating Our Lord's Resurrection, we need a coordinator (or co-coordinators) and a crew of helpers. Interested? Please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office.

136 Pew Hymnal Donations Needed

Please see the donation form below, and thanks for considering donating another book or two!

Order Form for the GATHER Hymnals – Please Print

Pew Hymnals: \$15.50 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

Vice-Chairperson

John Gritzmacher (414) 453-5265

Secretary

Pat Touchett (414) 257-0221

Trustees

Jim Balliet (414) 257-0339

Kathy Hubrich (414) 259-1961

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Andrew Bath (262) 312-4185

Suzanne Goodacre (414) 475-5062

Christine Jensen (262) 391-1851

Sr. Marilyn Metz (414) 727-9055

Rick Reinders (414) 607-8847

Mary Rose Sanger (414) 425-2028

**Greater Tosa
Interfaith**

(414) 453-5750

**Saint Vincent
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 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.

Bulletin deadline:

Monday, 8:30AM

Announcement deadline:

Thursday, 1:00PM

All submissions must be in writing; email preferred.