



Saint Theresia Parish

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

November 17th, 2013

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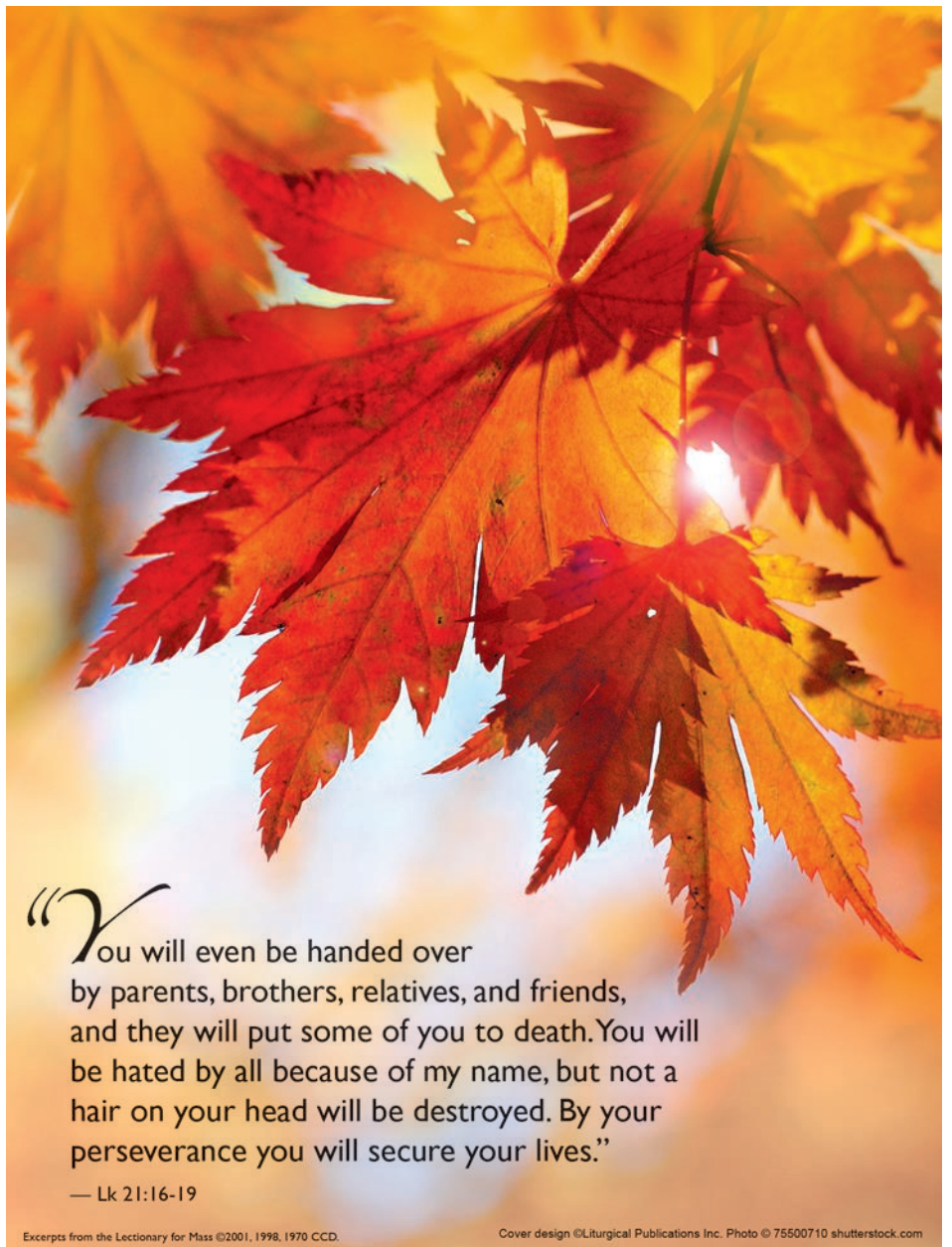
(414) 771-2500 – listen for instructions

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday: 9:00AM
Tuesday: 8:00AM
Wednesday: 6:30PM
Friday: 8:30AM

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

See inside for Holy Day Schedules



“You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives.”

— Lk 21:16-19

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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

- If you are familiar with The 12 Steps of Alcoholic Anonymous, or “The 12 Steps,” you know that there are a number of short slogans that help keep the person in recovery on track and focused on healing and health. The slogan that reminds me most of stewardship is “First Things First.”

What is the “first thing” in your life? Or who/what is most important? Is God first in your life?

When I was in college (at The Ohio State University), I had a classmate, an African-American man, who was working as a third shift janitor and going to school during the day. His ultimate goal was to become a minister and a pastor. We talked one day after class about our churches—he a Baptist and I a Catholic. He shared with me that he and his wife had just made their financial commitment for the year, which was the Biblical tithe, 10%.

Growing up Catholic, we didn’t talk much about tithing. We did talk about sacrifice and sacrificial giving—to the parish, to the missions, to the poor and needy, but talking about the Biblical tithe was something we just didn’t do.

I commented to him, “That must be hard, especially

with your family (spouse and three young children).”

Without hesitation, he replied, “Well, if God’s got you, God’s got your money, too!”

That exchange over coffee after a college class touched me deeply. God used a Baptist to witness to a Catholic to teach the value of tithing and stewardship of money. That exchange changed my financial life. In all things, including finances, God is first. Over the years, putting God first has honestly sometimes been a challenge, but then “First Things First!”

- If you were not at mass on October 19th/20th when the State of the Parish Presentation was given, or, if you would like to review it, members of the Parish Pastoral Council and I will be presenting it next weekend after the 5:00PM mass (November 23rd) and the 9:00AM mass (November 24th).
- Let us continue to remember our loved ones who have died and give thanks for all our blessings during this month of November.

God be with you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

Parish Director

Thank You

- To the family of †Andy Grosch for donating the Daily Mass Record Book in his memory.
- To Leona and Lee McGraw for donating the 2014 Ordo in memory of †Eldon McGraw.

Wednesday Evening Mass - November 27th


Our 6:30PM Wednesday Evening Mass on November 27th will be canceled so that our parishioners can attend the Ecumenical Prayer Service at Martin Luther Church at 7:00PM. Join our choir and our parishioners in giving thanks with our Lutheran and Mennonite neighbors.

Office Hours For the Week Of Thanksgiving

Please note the following changes to the parish office hours:

- Monday, November 25th, Tuesday, November 26th & Wednesday November 27th: 8:30AM to 4:00PM, closed 12:00PM to 12:30PM for lunch
- Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th: Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Thanksgiving Day Mass

 Plan now to attend mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28th at 9:00AM in the church. All are welcome! Liturgical Ministers are needed for this mass. Please sign up in the sacristy.

Donations Needed

- \$60 for new welcome book “Guests of Our Church”
- Please contact Heather Goeden if you are interested in donating this item in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion.

Thank You!

Thank you so much to everyone who donated a pie or dessert for the Evening to Remember. Everyone enjoyed these delicious desserts at the reception for the families. Once again St. Therese shows how “the little way” does it in such a “big way.” You are the best!! And thank you again.

Kathy Hubrich

Thank You, Bob Paulus, Living the Little Way

A huge thanks to Bob Paulus, who answered the call to help clean the gym/hall and lower level floors. Bob has been doing this for our parish community, as a volunteer minister, for the past five weeks. His generous stewardship of time and talent is saving the parish money and helping us fulfill our commitments for upkeep of our rental.

Altered Bulletin Deadlines

Please note the following changes to the bulletin deadlines due to the upcoming holidays:

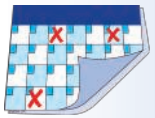
- November 24th Bulletin Deadline has passed.
- December 1st Bulletin Deadline: Thursday, November 21st at 8:30AM
- December 22nd Bulletin Deadline: Thursday, December 12th at 8:30AM
- December 29th Bulletin Deadline: Thursday, December 19th at 8:30AM
- January 5th Bulletin Deadline: Thursday, December 26th at 8:30AM



CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory	\$ 5,843.83
Sharing Weekend	\$ 943.10
Maintenance Donations	\$ 49.00
Air Conditioning Donations	\$ 30.00

Please remember St. Therese in your will!



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, November 17th—Catechesis Weekend

Christmas Cookie Sale Sign-Up

- 9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
 10:00AM Preschool–8th Grade Catechesis (GLP, GN, RR)
 10:15AM Eucharistic Minister & Lector Meeting (CH)

Monday, November 18th

- 6:00PM Saint Vincent de Paul Society (MC)

Tuesday, November 19th

- 7:00PM Green Team (MC)

Wednesday, November 20th

- 7:00PM Music Ministry (CH)
 7:30PM Saint Therese Choir (CHP)

Thursday, November 21st

- 7:00PM Prayer & Worship (HH)
 7:00PM Group 100 AA (MC)

Friday, November 22nd

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, November 23rd

Scrip Order Pick-up After Mass/Christmas Cookie Sale Sign-Up
 No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, November 24th—Catechesis Weekend

- Scrip Order Pick-up After Mass/Christmas Cookie Sale Sign-Up
 8:15AM St. Therese Choir (CH)
 9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
 10:00AM Preschool–8th Grade Catechesis (GLP, GN, RR)
 10:00AM Christian Formation Hospitality

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

Celebrate Thanksgiving and Catch the Spirit of Ecumenism

Give thanks and praise for all we have been given. Everyone is invited to join the choirs and parish members of St. Therese, Milwaukee Mennonite Congregation and Martin Luther Lutheran Church in their Ecumenical Celebration of Thanksgiving on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00PM at Martin Luther Lutheran Church. Hospitality will follow.

SVdP Meal Program Needs Corn



The St. Vincent dePaul Meal Program is in need of more cans of whole kernel corn. Please bring cans of any size to mass and put them on the labeled table near the sacristy for the St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program through December 1st. Please do not bring the donations to the Parish Office, and please check the expiration dates. Any size, any brand!

Liturgical Ministers – Please Attend These Upcoming Meetings



Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

The combined meeting of our ministers is this Sunday, November 17th after the 9:00AM Mass in the Church. See you there.

Ushers

The ushers will be meeting on Monday, December 16th at 7:00PM in Church.

Christian Formation Update



Next week marks the conclusion of the first semester of our new Religious Education Program for Preschool through 8th Grade. The children will share an Inspirational Song through a video presentation at the 5:00PM mass on Saturday. On Sunday the children will offer a live presentation. A social hosted by the Christian Formation Committee after the Sunday mass (November 24th) will celebrate the close of first semester. Everyone is welcome!

Attention! Children's Christmas Choir!

The Children's Christmas Choir will begin rehearsals on December 1st through December 22nd at 10:15AM in the Chapel. Rehearsals will be a half an hour long. The choir is open to all children, youth, and teens. We will be preparing for the Intergenerational Christmas Eve Mass. Any older students who play instruments, sing solos, or are willing to help guide the little ones should share their special gifts. Remember: The Religious Education Program's first semester is finished on November 24th. This is an easy way to share your gifts of time and talent and enrich your faith life. Please join us!

Christmas Cookie Fundraiser



Please sign up to donate cookies for the St. Therese Christmas Cookie Sale (December 14th/15th) after mass at the Bluemound entrance. Drop off instructions are on the sign up table. Call Mary Sanger with any questions at (414) 425-2028.

The Saint Therese Canticle Choir

The Canticle Choir serves a very special ministry for our parish. It provides sung prayer leadership at mass of Christian Burial and memorial services which are times when members of our congregation are most vulnerable and in need of support. In addition the canticle choir also leads music at some weekend liturgies. The choir needs additional members in order to continue to be a strong and vibrant ministry. There are no auditions. All you need is a love of singing and a willingness to share that love.

The Canticle Choir rehearses on the second Tuesday of each month, at 2:00PM in the chapel.

Attention: All Groups/Committees

If your group/committee has an event, fundraiser, hospitality, or display after mass, please kindly make sure that all lights are turned off before you leave the Church.

Office Closings for Holidays/Holydays

Please note the following changes to the Parish Office hours for the upcoming holidays/holydays:

- Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24th—Office Closed
- Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25th—Office Closed
- Thursday, December 26th—Office Closed
- Friday, December 27th—Office Closed
- New Year's Eve: Tuesday, December 31st—Office Closed
- New Year's Day: Wednesday, January 1st, 2104—Office Closed



Intentions & Readings for the Week



November Sanctuary Candle

†Eldon McGraw

Sunday, November 17th

Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Monday, November 18th

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

Tuesday, November 19th

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

8:00AM †Joseph Hughes

Wednesday, November 20th

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

6:30PM †Nick Pela

Thursday, November 21st

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

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

Friday, November 22nd

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

8:30AM †Rev. Quintin Heck

Saturday Mass, November 23rd

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

5:00PM St. Therese Parish Community and
†Bob Krebs

Sunday Mass, November 24th

2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

9:00AM †LaVerne Mucci & †Irene Enderson



Mimi Albano, Lenore Black, Judith Bolton, Gene Brah, Alyce Breitweiser, Marjorie Corak, Rachel Corak, Jean Dalnodar, Jean and Karl Deutscher, Loretta Dobert, Tim Dondlinger, Kaylin Dushek, Leonard Dushek, Ethel Forster, Doris Griger, M. Rose and Michael Jules, Chuck Kestner, Cheryl Klass, Joe Landry, Shirley Leinss, Travis Lerchen, Ann Leys, Mary Jane Lucas, Kimberly Martin, Neil Massey, Mary McHugh, Susan Monyette, Bill Murray, Andy Nitka, Karen Nycz, Lois Preston, Gerald Rademacher, Rachel Ragatz, Judy Rahn, Barb Redzich, Barbara Schmitz, Jim Selke, Terry Shinn, Carlene Siever, Joel Simpson, Marion Sinks, Susan Sinks, Stanton Smith, Marion Stabo, Mark Stabo, Gina Stone, Andrew Sullivan, Deena Sullivan, Pius Vetter, Don Wackholz, B.J. Walters, Bill Ziegler

Born to Eternal Life: †Kathryn Brinn

What is the #1 reason you celebrate Mass at St. Therese?

- "To worship God!"
- "We found a home where we can grow in faith and family."

A Stewardship Moment

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 16th/17th

In today's Gospel Jesus suggests that his disciples must be prepared to suffer ridicule, persecution and perhaps even death if they are to follow him. Sometimes we may wonder if enduring ridicule and scorn are what we really signed up for when we received the sacraments of initiation. Would we not rather sneak through life as painlessly as possible? Good stewards take their faith seriously and find comfort in the closing words of today's Gospel: "You will be hated by all because of my name but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." Let us make it part of our daily prayer routine to ask the Holy Spirit for the courage to act in Jesus' name no matter the consequences.

Please Help Us Keep Our Prayer List Current

It is our privilege to pray for those who ask our prayers, especially those who are sick or have a special need. While we get many requests for adding names to our list, we also need to know when to remove a name from our list. If you have submitted a name and wish to keep it on our list, please contact Heather Goeden in the parish office or send an e-mail to her at heather@sainttheresemilwaukee.org.

We will be redoing our list by the 1st Sunday of Advent--November 30th/December 1st. Please kindly let us know if you would like any names you submitted kept on the list.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Secretary Position



The St. Therese Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is looking for a new secretary. Our present secretary, Jessica Hubbard has done an outstanding job over the past few years; however, she has decided to resign this coming March.

The secretary job responsibilities consists of taking notes during our bi-weekly meetings, writing SVDP event bulletin announcements, updating or keeping current member roster, and keeping track of SVDP service hours. If you are interested in this important SVDP volunteer position, then please contact Dave Chudy at 414-453-5574 or Dick Lemke at 414-475-7734.

Ministry to the Sick:

Need Communion or a Pastoral Visit?

Need Holy Communion or a pastoral visit? Please call Heather Goeden in the Parish Office and make the request. Often we do not know that parish members desire this ministry. Father Hugh is graciously serving as our Coordinator of Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick and Homebound and is willing to anoint the sick and hear confessions for those unable to come to church. Dr. Guliano also makes pastoral visits. It is important that the person requesting the visit or a designated person contact us. Thanks for keeping us informed!

Eat at Bluemound Gardens, Donate to SVdP

During the month of November, Bluemound Gardens restaurant (11703 W. Bluemound Road, Wauwatosa) will donate up to 20% of your purchases to the Milwaukee St. Vincent de Paul Society. In order for the SVDP Society to receive the donation, parishioners need to bring in the St. Therese bulletin with this announcement to the restaurant.

The Bluemound Gardens restaurant offers delicious food and excellent customer service in a casual family dining atmosphere. The next time you go out to eat please consider Bluemound Gardens where you can get delicious food and donate to a worthy cause at the same time.

State of the Parish Presentation

The presentation on the State of the Parish was given at all masses on October 19th and 20th. If you were not here for the presentation or would like to view it again, please plan on staying after 5:00PM mass on Saturday, November 23rd or after 9:00AM mass on Sunday, November 24th when the presentation will be given again. Parish Council members will be available with Dr. Guliano to receive any feedback, concerns, or answer your questions.

Stewardship Update



Last week, Father Norm struck a chord with us in his sermon, when he said that we were precious, that this parish is precious. We could not agree with him more. The word describes the parish, its people, and the experience of Saint Therese parish beautifully. We have a parish which does ask of its people but rewards us with a spiritual and physical feeling of being part of something very special. Today we will be providing the final figures from our campaign. While the first phase of it is done, there is much work remains. We still have quite a ways to go on our financial needs. We need your help to continue that journey. Return God's favor.

Off to a Great Start!

A total of \$4,945.00 in Scrip purchase cards was sold last weekend. \$4,945.00! St. Therese parish will receive a percentage of this total. All participants can pick up their Scrip purchase cards at the Bluemound entrance after mass the weekend of November 23rd/24th. The next Scrip orders will be taken November 30th/December 1st weekend and will available December 7th/8th. This will be the last opportunity to purchase cards for your Christmas shopping. Through Scrip, you can use your purchase cards for buying Christmas gifts as well as for your everyday needs. Let's all make the December Scrip order even bigger and better. Remember: when you buy through Scrip, a portion of every dollar you spend goes to St. Therese at no additional cost to you. It's all in support of our Parish. Thank you!

Wall of Remembrance—Month of November

Plan now to bring pictures of your deceased loves ones for our Wall of Remembrance. The wall will be placed in the church by All Saints Day. Pictures can be displayed beginning the weekend of November 2nd/3rd. Please kindly write your name and phone number on the back of the picture. We will remember these loved ones during the month of November, the month of all saints and all souls.

RCIA Group Forming

We have been blessed with an adult candidate who has inquired about becoming a fully initiated Catholic and who will receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. We are in need of catechists and group discussion members. If you are interested in helping with the RCIA Process, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office.

Your Thoughts for the Synod

As we work toward the Archdiocesan Synod next year, we will continue to gather your input. If you have any thoughts or comments that you believe the synod should consider, please fill out the response form below and drop it in the collection basket, email Jim Holmes at jimbarb68@gmail.com, or call Jim at (414) 258-9195. Your input is needed as we will attend district synod meetings in February, and move on to the Synod in June.

Response Form – Archdiocesan Synod

Please list issues, concerns, suggestions, and questions for the upcoming Archdiocesan Synod on June 7th/8th, 2014. If you would like a Council member to contact you, please list your name and contact information (e-mail or phone).

Name (optional) _____

Contact Info (optional) _____

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 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.

Need Holy Communion?

Call Heather in the Parish Office at (414) 771-2500.

Bulletin deadline:
Deadline for the November 24th bulletin has passed. The next available bulletin is December 1st.
All submissions must be in writing; email preferred.