



# Saint Therese Parish

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## December 30th, 2007

We are Saint Therese Catholic Church, a community of believers who walk together by faith in Christ Jesus and strive hand-in-hand to live as God's people.

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**Ministers**  
All the Members of the Parish

For Parish Emergencies, please call the Parish Office and follow the instructions for the 24-hour emergency line.



## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



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### Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM  
Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:00AM  
Tuesday: 8:00AM  
Friday: 7:30AM

### Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Wednesday & 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 — 7:30PM

closed 4:00PM to 4:30PM

**Friday:**

8:30AM to 12:00PM

## Welcome to Saint Therese Catholic Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

### From the Desk of the Parish Director

A Blessed and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your loved ones! The Christmas Season continues as we celebrate the Feasts of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph this weekend, the Solemnity of the Epiphany next weekend, and concludes with the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord the weekend of January 11th/12th.

Although the “after Christmas” sales and events are already in progress, we Catholic Christians celebrate the Season of Christmas, reveling in its beauty and reflecting on its meaning for our lives. For many of us, this season affords a much-needed break and rest from work or school, a reconnection with family and friends, or an opportunity to review the past year in some quiet moments.

Here at St. Therese, we give thanks for the many blessings we enjoy—the treasure that is our faith, which gives us perspective and sustains us through all times; our faithful parish membership, committed to this community and generous in offering a place of worship to all who enter our doors; our behind the scenes, but powerful, prayer ministry of those whose stewardship includes prayer for the parish; our growing ministries; and, the land and green space around the parish grounds that we steward.

As we bring in the New Year 2008, let us remain thankful for all that God has given us, and most especially, the gift of Jesus, Our Savior.

God be with you!

*Dr. Alexandra Guliano*

P.S. I will be visiting my parents and family in northeast Ohio this weekend. We are celebrating my mother's (Mary Jane Guliano) 80th Birthday. Please remember her in your prayers this weekend!



I am the new year. I am an unspoiled page in your book of time. I am your next chance at the art of living. I am your opportunity to practice what you have learned about life during the past twelve months. All that you sought and didn't find is hidden in me, waiting for you to search it but with more determination. All the good that you tried for and didn't achieve is mine to grant when you have fewer conflicting desires. All that you dreamed but didn't dare do, all that you hoped but did not will, all the faith that you claimed but did not have—these slumber lightly, waiting to be awakened by the touch of a strong purpose. I am your opportunity to renew your allegiance to Him who said, “Behold, I make all things new.”

*As we look into 2008, we look at a block of time. We see 12 months, 52 weeks, 365 days, 8,760 hours, 525,600 minutes, 31,536,000 seconds. And all is a gift from God. We have done nothing to deserve it, earn it, or purchase it. Like the air we breathe, time comes to us as a part of life.*

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Margaret Anderson \* Lenore Black \* Deanna Zychowski  
Rosemary Cassady \* Janice Corak \* Mike Costello \* Andy Islo  
Mike Czarnecki \* Alberta Duckhorn \* Ann Farell \* Dee Blom  
Christopher Duffy & Family \* Christian Elder \* Frank Eskra  
Lynn Gordon \* Chuck Hillyer \* Mary Stoke \* Carol Hoppenjan  
Anastasia Hubbard \* Christine Hutchins \* Garnet Jankowski  
Joachim Family \* Ken Knollenberg \* Ann Lackovic  
Ciel Maccani \* Cindy Mekka \* Millie Metz \* Andy Moehr  
Isaiah Montoya \* Sue Monyette \* Laverne Mucci  
Fran Schmidt \* Dale Weiss \* Barbara Schmitz \* Art Bonk  
Karie Schwonke \* Carlene Siever \* Susan Sinks \* Marion Stabo  
Olga Valdovinos \* Maurie Wright \* Harold Vanden Heuvel  
Merle Weber \* Virginia Weber \* Baby Riana Wolosek

Born to Eternal Life: †Gertrude Kohlmann

### All-Parish Meeting With Parish Council

Monday, January 7th, 2008

The Parish Council will host an All Parish Town Hall Meeting on Monday, January 7th, 2008 beginning at 7:00PM in Heck Hall. The purpose of the meeting is twofold—to discuss and explain the Archdiocesan Planning Process that is affecting all parishes, schools, and institutions of our archdiocese and the Archdiocesan Capital Campaign and to formulate our responses to these initiatives. All parish members are welcome to attend this important meeting.

### New Email Addresses for Parish Staff

The St. Therese Parish Staff have all new email addresses! After years of using the email provided by the archdiocese, we have decided to switch to addresses that match our website address. They are faster, more user-friendly, and have more features available that will make Parish Office life easier. From now on, all of our addresses will end with @sainttheresemilwaukee.org. Please see the front of the bulletin for each staff member's specific address. The old archmil emails will be phased out, so you are encouraged to please update your address books, and begin using the new ones with the very next email you send.

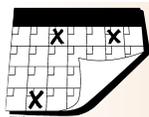
### New Year's Day Mass Schedule

The Solemnity of Mary/World Day of Prayer for Peace is a holyday of obligation. We will celebrate mass at 9:00AM in the church on Tuesday, January 1st, 2008.

### A Christmas Thought

“It is no use saying that we are born two thousand years too late to give room to Christ. Nor will those who live at the end of the world have been born too late. Christ is always with us, always asking for room in our hearts... We are not born too late. We do it by seeing Christ and serving Christ in friends and strangers, in everyone we come in contact with.”

—Dorothy Day



## Parish Events for the Week

### Sunday, December 30th

9:15AM Adult Choir (CH)

### Monday, December 31st

Parish Office Closed

### Tuesday, January 1st, 2008

Parish Office Closed

9:00AM Mass for the Solemnity of Mary and World Day of Peace (CH)

### Wednesday, January 2nd, 2008

7:30PM Praise Band (CH)

7:30PM Adult Choir (CH)

### Thursday, January 3rd, 2008

11:30AM SVdP Adult Cook (KIT)

4:30PM SVdP Youth & Adult Serve (OFFSITE)

### Friday, January 4th, 2008

No Meetings Scheduled

### Saturday, January 5th, 2008

4:15PM Canticle Choir (CH)

### Sunday, January 6th, 2008

9:15AM Adult Choir (CH)

11:15AM RCIA (GN)

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

### What's in a Name?

**Miriam's Corner** is honoring the sister of Moses. In the Hebrew Bible, Miriam is referred to as a prophet. She was a daring individual who took chances not only in saving her baby brother, but also later as an adult she was looked up to working side by side with her brothers Moses and Aaron. If you would like to find out more about this great heroine, find her story in *Praying with the Women of the Bible*, written by Bridget Mary Meehan.

**The Good News Gathering Place** is appropriately named, as this room is used for adult catechesis. As part of the catechesis we are sharing the Good News of the Gospel with adults gathering to gain greater insight into the Catholic Faith.

**Raphael Room** is named in honor of one of the seven archangels named Raphael. In the book of Tobit he is known for being sent by God to heal the blindness of Tobit and the healing of Sarah who was plagued by a demon who killed any man who married Sarah. He's also the Patron Saint of happy meetings, so let's hope that room holds up!

### A Heartfelt Thank You

To the following people, who ministered this Advent/Christmas Season:

- ★ Our Music Ministry, capably led by our Pastoral Musician, Elterine Jankowski-Biggers, and Sterling Biggers, the Canticle Choir, the Adult Choir, the Cherub Choir, Cantors, and Instrumentalists.
  - ★ Our Art and Environment Committee, chaired by Kris Pluta and Kathy Hubrich, with special design help from Nancy and Kelly Davis and all who helped decorate the church.
  - ★ Our Catechetical Ministries, coordinated by Cathy Smith and Christine Reinders, who sponsored Advent events for our families and parish community, especially Breakfast with the Saints.
  - ★ Courtney Falk, for designing and producing our Orders of Worship and Music Supplements.
  - ★ Gladys Sachse, who designed and sewed our Advent/Christmas altar appointments (cloths and coverings).
  - ★ All who donated for the flowers and candles.
  - ★ Our Liturgical Ministers—Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Altar Servers, Sacristans, Ushers, and Lay Presiders—who responded to the call to minister at the special Advent and Christmas holyday liturgies.
  - ★ Those who participated in lighting of the Advent candles at liturgies each week.
  - ★ Our Library Committee, chaired by Diane May, for the wonderful Advent/Christmas display and refreshments.
  - ★ Our Maintenance Team—Mike Davis and Toni Timm—who prepared the church for the season.
  - ★ The Advent Giving Coordinators, Ann Maher and Pat Safavi, and all who assisted them and distributed the gifts generously given.
  - ★ Our Parish Staff, Assisting Priest, Hugh Birdsall, SDS, our Help-Out Priest, and Dr. Alexandra Guliano, our Parish Director for their spiritual, liturgical, and pastoral leadership.
  - ★ Our Sound Board Ministry—Dave Dollak, Justin Gaworski, Pat Hall, Andy Roemer, and Jon Van Eyck.
  - ★ Our faithful parish members who make St. Therese Parish, the faith-filled community that it is.
  - ★ All who visited our parish and celebrated liturgies with us!
- May we continue to know Emmanuel in our midst!

### St. Therese Did Name the Rooms

Thank you to all who participated in "Can You Name That Room." We had many wonderful entries, but we could only choose three. So here are the new names: The All Purpose Room will now be known at Miriam's Corner; The Catechesis Room will now be known at The Good News Gathering Place; The Second Floor Meeting Room will now be known as The Raphael Room. We are awarding one prize to Jean Marie Weber for the entry of The Good News Gathering Place. The other two winning names were submitted anonymously.

### Chapel Entrance Closed During Weekdays

In order to reduce our liability during the snow/ice season, the Chapel entrance is closed during the weekdays. Please use the Lobby entrance and proceed through the Sacristy to enter the Chapel. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

### Living Our Faith Prayer Cards

Living Our Faith prayer cards are available in the small marked baskets on the tables at the entrances of the church. Please take one.

**Readings for the Week of December 30th**

**Feast of the Holy Family**

Sun: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Mon: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

Tue: Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Wed: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

Thu: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34

Fri: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

Sat: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51

**Feast of the Epiphany**

Sun: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



**Tuesday, January 1st, 2008**

9:00AM Edward John & Richard McShane

**Wednesday and Thursday**

7:45AM Rosary before Liturgy

8:00AM Liturgy of the Word with Communion

**Friday, January 4th, 2008**

7:30AM A Special Intention

**Saturday, January 5th, 2008**

5:00PM †Peter Ferguson, Peter Lemanski, and Anna Gill

**Sunday, January 6th, 2008**

8:00AM People of St. Therese Parish Community and †Henry Seidl

10:00AM †Henry Seidl

*Thank you!*

**CHURCH SUPPORT**

Envelopes & Offertory **December 15th/16th**  
**\$8204.20**

**55+ Social Club**

Start of the New Year by joining us at our first meeting of 2008 in Heck Hall at 11:30AM on Thursday, January 10th. Orders for subs from Bunzel's can be placed with Barb Heinz in the Parish Office, or you may bring your own lunch.

*May the New Year bring you good health, happiness and many blessings!*

**Living Our Faith Initiative**

**Living our Faith** is an initiative launched by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, that 1) invites people to Meet Christ; 2) teaches people to Know Christ; and 3) inspires people to Live Christ by serving Him and others. **Catholic Knights presents "Living Our Faith with Archbishop Timothy Dolan"—a weekly 30-minute television program that shares inspirational and informational stories from across the archdiocese.** The program airs on Saturdays on WISN TV at 12:00 noon during from January through March 2008 (except Saturday, March 29th) and on Time Warner Cable's Wisconsin on Demand, Channel 1111.

**Snow Removal Help Needed**

With the snow season upon us, we need help with snow removal for the chapel steps and entrance during the weekdays—Tuesday through Friday. Since we have our morning liturgies at 8:00AM on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday and 7:30AM on Friday, we need the chapel steps and entrance cleared by 7:00AM. If you can help our parish community in this way, please call Dr. Guliano in the parish office. Please help us keep our parish property and those who attend our parish safe this winter.

**Raffle Winners**

Thanks to all who stopped by the main lobby last weekend to enjoy the wonderful selection of books, DVDs, CDs and videotapes for this season of Christmas and Advent. We had a great turnout and everyone enjoyed the homemade cookies, candies and coffee. The lucky winner of the beautiful crystal cross is Jan Eno and the winner of the children's goodie basket is Jack Hollander. Congratulations!

**Talent Show Reminder**

The deadline for signing up to be in the St. Therese Mid-Winter Talent Show is January 14th. The show is Sunday, January 27th at 3:00PM. Pick up an application form from Elterine Jankowski-Biggers after mass. Share your talents and have fun time.

**New Parish Planning Process Handout Available**

"Thoughts and Ponderings No. 2 Part 2," Father Jim Connell's reflections on what he is hearing through the various Archdiocesan Planning Process meetings is available to all. You can access all of Father Jim's documents on the "News & Events" page of our website. Also, copies are available on the tables at the entrances of the church or call Courtney Falk in the Parish Office and request that a copy be mailed to you.

**Flower/Candle Memorial Donations**

Please consider remembering a loved one or a 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 in the collection basket or send it to the Parish Office. PLEASE PRINT. Thank you!



Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please select one:  
 In Memory     In Honor     In Thanksgiving  
 Of/For \_\_\_\_\_  
 I would like the above information published  Yes     No  
 Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Is It St. Therese-Milwaukee, St. Therese-Eagle or St. Therese-Kenosha?**

There are several parishes named "St. Therese" in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Please check carefully for the city location when reading announcements for snow closings on TV or listening to the radio. Recently, there was a snow/ice closing for St. Therese-Eagle that was mistaken as St. Therese-Milwaukee. Please note that, during the weekdays, the Parish Office closes when Milwaukee Public Schools closes.

## Welcome Liturgies for New Auxiliary Bishop William Patrick Callahan, OFM Conv.

Beginning in mid-January, three parishes, each in a different corner of the archdiocese will host welcoming Eucharistic liturgies for the Most Rev. William Patrick Callahan, OFM Conv., new auxiliary bishop. Parishioners throughout the archdiocese are invited to attend to meet and extend an official welcome to Bishop Callahan as he begins his ministry with us. The sites of these liturgies are:

- St. Bruno Parish (266 W Ottawa Ave), Dousman, Tuesday, January 15th, 6:30PM
- St. John the Evangelist Parish (701 N Lake Ave) Twin Lakes, January 16th, 7:30PM
- Holy Family Parish (271 Fourth St Way), Fond du Lac, January 17th, 6:30PM

## Attention: All Committees and Groups

### Materials on Tables and Bulletin Boards

Please note that approval is required before any materials can be placed on the tables at the entrances of the church, the catechesis table, and the bulletin boards. Any materials or displays that are left without prior approval will be discarded. Please submit any requests for materials to be left on the tables or bulletin boards to Courtney Falk, Administrative Assistant. You will be notified if/when the materials are approved for distribution. Please submit materials at least two weeks in advance and indicate the dates that the materials are to be made available. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## Attention Adults Seeking Confirmation Into the Catholic Church

Sessions are being planned for individuals seeking Adult Confirmation. The journey toward full initiation into the church will begin in January and will meet several times a month leading to the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, March 22nd. For more information please contact Cathy Smith in the Parish Office.

## Committee/Group Minutes for Parish Binder

All Committee/Groups, Please Note! A three-hole punch is now available next to the green binder that contains all our parish committees/groups minutes. For your convenience, simply use that three-hole punch and place two copies of your minutes in the binder. No need to leave minutes in the Parish Office to get the holes punched! Thank you for your cooperation!

## Thanks to Those Who Helped with Our 2007-2008 Parish Stewardship Commitment

Our St. Therese Parish 2007-2008 Stewardship Commitment effort ends this week. A total of 302 parish membership units have committed \$285,911, an increase of approximately \$3,000 from last year. The average yearly pledge increased from \$918 to \$947. Thanks to all who helped with this effort—Bev and Don Castelaz, Courtney Falk, Bill Hoppenjan, Christine Jensen, Doug Sedlar, Mari Pavleje, and members of the Finance/Administration Committee and Parish Council, who made pulpit announcements and follow-up phone calls. Thanks also to all who responded to our parish stewardship commitment of time, talent, and treasure. We also have an increase of those willing to share their time and talents in ministries of our parish.

## Thank You

—To Doug Sedlar, Chairperson of our Finance/Administration Committee and At-Large Member of our Parish Council, who represented our parish at the Ordination Liturgy of Bishop William Patrick Callahan, OFM Conv. on Friday, December 21st.

## Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

### Chairperson

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### Trustee

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### Trustee

Mari Pavleje (414) 545-2733

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Interfaith  
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Saint Vincent  
de Paul  
(414) 462-7837

## Federal Privacy Regulation — HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act)

Prohibits all 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 call Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

**Please remember  
Saint Therese Parish  
in your will !**

**Bulletin deadline:  
Monday, 8:30AM**

**Announcement deadline  
Thursday, 3:00PM**

*All submissions must be in  
writing; email preferred.*

## Welcome to Saint Therese Parish Community!

If you are not currently registered and wish to join the Parish, please complete this form and place it in the collection basket or send it to the Parish Office, 9525 West Bluemound Road, Milwaukee, WI 53226. The full registration form will be mailed to you, or if you prefer, you can download and print the form from the "Contact Us" page on our website.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_