



# 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 28th, 2008

# Feast of the Holy Family

## Parish Staff

### Parish Director

Dr. Alexandra Guliano ext. 14  
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### Building Services Associate & Coordinator

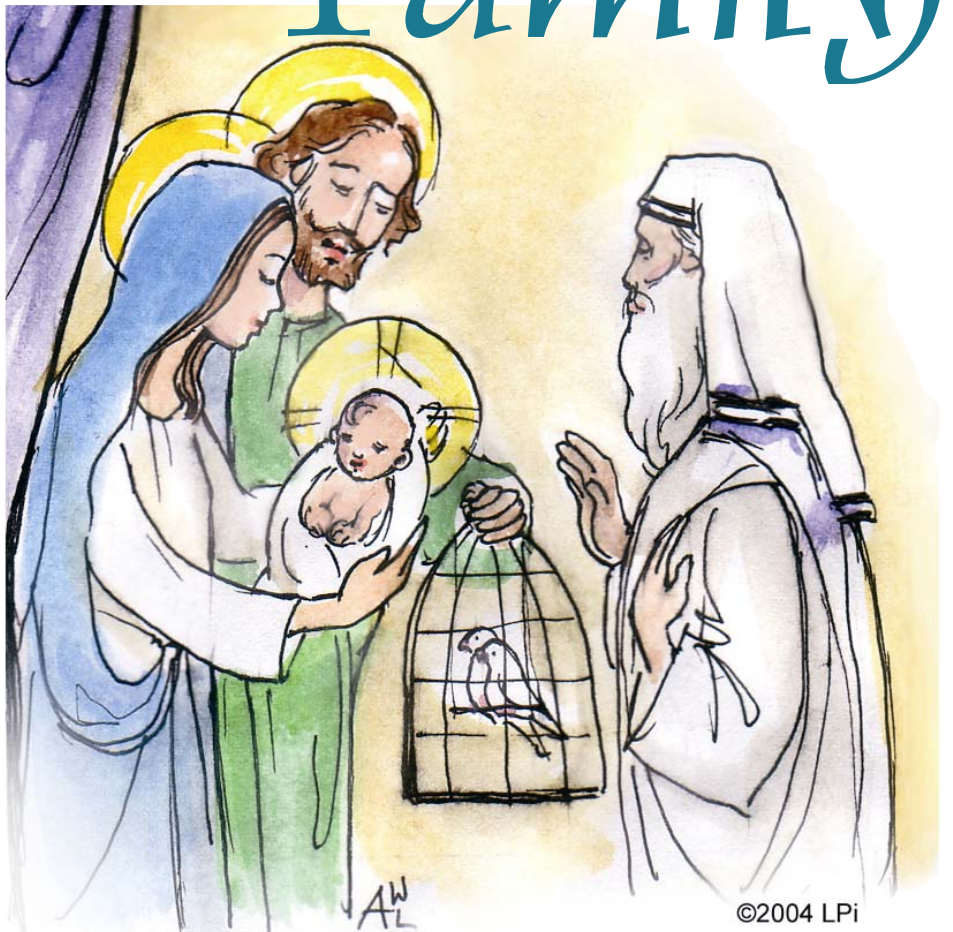
Denise Dostalek ext. 16

### Building Services Senior Technician

Mike Davis ext. 16

### Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 — listen for instructions



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## Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:00AM

Tuesday: 7:30AM

### Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Wednesday, 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

## 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

- ◆ Christmas blessings to you! Welcome to all who are visiting with us this weekend and throughout the Christmas Season. Please know that you are always welcome to worship with us.
- ◆ While I was going through my "Christmas file," I came across the following that I would like to share with you. I could not find the author to give the credit.

### At This Holy Season of Peace...

- End a quarrel.
- Seek out a forgotten friend.
- Dismiss suspicion, and replace it with trust.
- Write a love letter.
- Share some treasure.
- Give a soft answer. Encourage youth.
- Manifest your loyalty in word and deed.
- Keep a promise. Find the time. Forgo a grudge.
- Forgive an enemy. Listen.
- Apologize if you are wrong.
- Try to understand. Flout envy.
- Examine your demands on others.
- Think first of someone else.
- Appreciate. Be kind; be gentle.
- Decry complacency.
- Express your gratitude.
- Go to church. Welcome a stranger.
- Gladden the heart of a child.
- Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth.
- Speak your love.
- Speak it again.
- Speak it still once again.

—Author Unknown—

May the Christ be born anew in us and in our world!

*Dr. Alexandra Guliano*



Thank you Lord, for giving me the brand new year ahead. Help me live the way I should as each new day I tread. Give me gentle wisdom that I might help a friend; give me strength and courage so a shoulder I might lend. The year ahead is empty help me fill it with good things, each new day filled with joy and the happiness it brings. Please give the leaders of our world a courage born of peace, that they might lead us gently and all the fighting cease. Please give to all upon this earth a heart that's filled with love, a gently happy way to live with Your blessings from above.

*Lord, let this year be filled with the things that are truly good. Let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible – with Your help and guidance.*

As we begin this New Year let us pray for God's blessings and healing for all those who are ill or hurting in some way especially: Margaret Anderson \* Vicky Anderson \* Lenore Black \* Dee Blom Art Bonk \* Bernice Brah \* Gianna Capecci \* Janice Corak David Dane \* Alberta Duckhorn \* Frank Eskra \* Ann Farell Theresa Gary \* Lynn Gordon \* Jim Guliano \* Chuck Hillyer John, Vicky, and Baby Heger \* Andy Islo \* Garnet Jankowski Joachim Family \* Marie Kneifl \* Ken Knollenberg \* Ed Panelli Marcella Kozuh \* Ann Lackovic \* Lynne Lyste \* Millie Metz Laverne Mucci \* Tom & Glenda Nitka \* Brayden Ramus Gerry Roberts \* Sylvia Schaffer \* Fran Schmidt \* Linda Schmidt Barbara Schmitz \* Carlene Siever \* Susan Sinks \* Danny Stabo Andy Moehr \* Marion Stabo \* Mary Stoke \* Mary Lu Topple Olga Valdovinos \* Irene Van Eyck \* Harold Vanden Heuvel Merle Weber \* Virginia Weber \* Deanna Zychowski

## Solemnity of Mary/World Day of Prayer for Peace Holyday of Obligation

We need peace more than ever! Join in praying for peace through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God at our holyday mass on Thursday, January 1st at 9:00AM.

### Parish Office Hours

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from December 31st through January 2nd. We will resume normal business hours on January 5th.



## Coming Soon: Prayer for Our Parish on Wednesday Evenings

Beginning Wednesday, January 14th, and continuing through May 27th, we will gather for prayer for our parish and for our Faith In Our Future Campaign at 6:15PM in the Chapel. Thanks to Sisters Sara Jean Donegan, Ingrid Hamm, and Margit Loeffler for coordinating this spiritual effort. Our Wednesday prayer time will include various prayer forms, including mass during Lent, Liturgy of the Word with Communion, Evening Prayer (Vespers), Taize Prayer, meditation, rosary, and prayer through the intercession of St. Therese. Prayer time will last 30-45 minutes. All are welcome.

## Church Heat (Thermostat) Set at 66°

Over the last few months, several of our thermostats were replaced. The heat in church is now set to 66 degrees. Hopefully, this is a temperature that is comfortable enough but will also save on the cost of heating our worship space.

## Thank You

- ◆ To Mary Jane Lucas for donating for the cost of the new Ordo for Mass in honor of her sister, Margaret Schlinder.

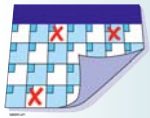


## We Have Some New Members!

- ◆ Glenn & Kim Nowak Son, Jacob
- ◆ Jessica Hubbard
- ◆ Carrie Pichalski
- ◆ Paul Golomski & Ashley Hadaway
- ◆ Christine & Daniel Stitt







## Parish Events for the Week

### Sunday, December 28th

No Meetings Scheduled

### Monday, December 29th

6:00PM St. Vincent dePaul (MC)

### Tuesday, December 30th

No Meetings Scheduled

### Wednesday, December 31st

Parish Office Closed

### Thursday, January 1st

Parish Office Closed

9:00AM Mass for the Solemnity of Mary (CH)

### Friday, January 2nd

Parish Office Closed

### Saturday, January 3rd

No Meetings Scheduled

### Sunday, January 4th

7:30AM Canticle Choir (MC)

9:15AM St. Therese Choir (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

### Greeter Schedules Available

Schedules for January through April are now available in the Sacristy. Please pick up your copy.



### Liturgical Ministry Schedules

Liturgical ministry schedules for lectors, servers, and Eucharistic ministers for January through April 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 call Mari Pavleje at (414) 545-2733.



### Zoo Interchange Project Parish Meeting

Mark your calendar to join us Sunday, January 11th following the 10:00AM mass in Heck Hall to hear Tim Anheuser from Forward 45 explain how St. Therese will be effected by the New Zoo Interchange and to answer any questions. There will also be displays for you to view. You can visit the website at [www.sefreeways.org](http://www.sefreeways.org).

### Question of the Week:

Like Abraham, Simeon and Anna, how can we follow their example of faithfulness, and be open and eager to receive God's gifts?

### Snow Closings for Parish Office & Parish Meetings

Now that the "snow season" is upon us, there may be times that our Parish Office is closed and parish meetings are cancelled due to inclement weather. Please note that notification of Parish Office and meeting cancellations will be published on Channel 12, WISN TV; on the website, [www.wisn.com](http://www.wisn.com); and through radio stations WMIL FM106.1; The Brew 97.3FM; News/Talk 1130AM; WKKV 100FM; AM920, and Milwaukee's My 95.7FM.

Also, please note that there are a few other St. Therese or St. Theresa's in the area. Please listen and look carefully for St. Therese—Milwaukee!

### Pictures from Wall of Remembrance

Thanks to all who placed pictures of loved ones on our Wall of Remembrance during the month of November. Please pick up your loved one's picture in the sacristy.

### Spiritual Direction

Interested in deepening your relationship with God? Want to develop an awareness of God's Presence in your life? Spiritual direction can help. A one-to-one meeting with a trained spiritual director provides an opportunity to grow in an awareness of God's movements in a person. Sr. Judy Miller, CSJ is available for spiritual direction in the Milwaukee area. Stipend is assessed on a sliding scale. Contact Sr. Judy at (920) 410-1917 or [jmiller@csjsl.org](mailto:jmiller@csjsl.org).

### 55+ Social Club

Our monthly meetings in Heck Hall resume on Thursday, January 8th. Subs from Bunzel's are on the menu. Place your orders by January 5th. Our featured program is "Nourish Your Noggin, The Necessities of Brain Wellness." We will be collecting dues for 2009 which are \$10.00 per person. People who have paid their dues will be invited to a free lunch on February 12th. Since that falls on Abraham Lincoln's birthday we have invited Jessica Michna to present her program about the life and times of Mary Todd Lincoln. Call Barb in the Parish Office to make reservations.

### Upcoming Training for Those Interested in Serving as Eucharistic Ministers

Training sessions for new Eucharistic Ministers will be held on Sundays, January 11th, 18th, and 25th from 9:00AM to 9:50AM in the church. If you are interested in serving as a Eucharistic Minister, please come to the first session and gather in the middle pews. All three sessions are required for this ministry.

### Help Needed for a Parish Family

The McShane Family have been members of St. Therese Parish for many years. A few weeks ago, an explosion completely destroyed the home of Timothy and Bernadette McShane (who lived on Wind Lake Rd). They lost everything. A trust fund has been set up to help Tim and Bernadette rebuild their home and their lives. If you wish to make a contribution, the information follows, or call (866) 649-0046 for more information. Thanks to all who respond to this appeal to help a family in need. Please make out your check to "The McShane Benefit Trust," include the account number of the trust on your check, and send your donations directly to

### The McShane Benefit Trust

1st Banking Center  
9918 S Loomis Rd  
Wind Lake, WI 53186  
Account # 2643935

Readings for the Week of December 28th

Sun: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:22-40
Mon: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35
Tue: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40
Wed: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18
Thu: Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Fri: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28
Sat: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34
Sun: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, December 30th

7:30AM †Dennis Nee

Thursday, January 1st

9:00AM Edward John and Richard McShane

Saturday, January 3rd

5:00PM †Rosalie Ziebert

Sunday, January 4th

8:00AM People of St. Therese Parish and †Vera Kleiber

10:00AM †Maurice Wright

Thank you!

CHURCH SUPPORT

Totals will be published next weekend.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience...

Jesus asks us to learn how to live in our families with the qualities necessary to be truly one body in the Lord. Am I willing to learn how to do this? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are January 23rd-25th in Brookfield, February 13th-15th in Rockford, IL, March 13th-15th in Madison, and April 17th-19th in Rockford, IL. Dates fill fast, so register early. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653. For a Weekend in Spanish February 20th-22nd, June 5th-7th, 2009 contact Hugo & Gaby at (630) 690-2094.



New Year Blessing

Heavenly Father, in this time of new beginnings, we recall how the heavens celebrated the birth of Christ.



We think back to the new kingdom he proclaimed, and remember the new life we gained in our baptism. In this time of new beginnings, and at the beginning of this New Year, may we always act as good examples of the new life in you that all Christians have and be the same for others. Give us the joy that is ours as adopted members of God's family.

Amen.



Grieving during the Holidays

Has the recent loss of a loved one taken over your life? Losing a friend or family member isn't easy for anyone. Grief and depression can be overwhelming, but carrying that loss through the Christmas season is even more difficult. Don't hesitate to contact a therapist at Catholic Charities for help. Call one of our offices today: in Milwaukee at (414) 771-2881.

Fresh Starts

Saturday, January 10th, 2009, 9:00AM - 5:00PM at the Racine Dominican Retreat Program, located at Siena Center, 5635 Erie Street, Racine. Start the new year with a day of creativity and relaxation. In the morning, we'll learn the basics of watercolor painting with a demonstration of a winter scene that we'll all paint. In the afternoon we'll pray, reflect, experience the winter beauty of Lake Michigan, or try another painting. No art experience is necessary, for we believe that each of us is an artist. Presented by Joseph Marco and Pat Shutts. Cost is \$45.00 (includes noon meal). Contact Pat at (262) 639-4100.

Flower/Candle Memorial Donations

In this season of giving, you can remember a loved one or a special intention by donating toward the cost of flowers and candles for our church environment. Please complete the form to the right, include your donation of any amount, and return both in the collection basket at any mass. Thank you for your generosity!



Candle and Flower Donations—PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_
Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
Please select one: [ ] In Memory [ ] In Honor [ ] In Thanksgiving
Of/For \_\_\_\_\_
Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_
Please publish: [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Anonymous, but print intention



## Thank You to All Who Helped Us Celebrate Christmas

- ❄ To our Music Ministry, led by Elterine Jankowski-Biggers, Pastoral Musician and Sterling Biggers, our Parish Musician; the St. Therese Choir, the Canticle Choir, the Cherub Choir, our excellent cantors, and instrumentalists.
- ❄ To all our liturgical ministers: Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Ushers, Altar Servers, Lay Presiders, Father Hugh, Father Norm, and Dr. Guliano.
- ❄ To Sandi Skrobis and Gladys Sachse for creating the new antependium and altar appointments (hangings).
- ❄ To all who designed our environment and decorated our church.
- ❄ To all who donated for the cost of flowers and candles.
- ❄ To the Parish Staff for all their “behind the scenes” ministry.
- ❄ To our Building Services Team for all their extra work keeping our parish plant in good shape—Mike Davis and Denise Dostalek.
- ❄ To all who attended our liturgies.



The Christmas Season continues through January 10th and ends with the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord on January 10th/11th. And we continue to celebrate with the feasts of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph on December 27th/28th; the Solemnity of the Epiphany on January 3rd/4th; ending with the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord on January 10th/11th.

### Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

#### Chairperson

Kathy Hubrich (414) 259-1961

#### Vice-Chairperson

Alice Kennedy (414) 771-8147

#### Trustee

Jim Balliet (414) 257-0339

#### Trustee

Mari Pavleje (414) 545-2733

#### Secretary

Jesse Stringer (262) 442-3710

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(414) 453-5750

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, 12:00 NOON

*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 W Bluemound Rd, 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.

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_