



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.

May 3rd, 2009

FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Easter*

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Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day."

- Lk 24:45-46 -

Mass Schedule

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

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Wednesday: 6:15PM
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

- ◆ This is Commitment Weekend! At all our liturgies this weekend, we will view the special DVD produced by Elterine and Sterling Biggers on St. Therese's Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign and collect our Commitment cards. Elterine did the bulk of the background work on this DVD. I hope that you will enjoy it and that it will help further our progress toward reaching our goal of \$340,000 over three years.
- ◆ We will continue to accept Commitment Cards throughout the month of May. We hope to close this phase of the Campaign the weekend of May 30th/31st (Pentecost) with hospitality after all the weekend masses. Hopefully, we will have some figures to share on the progress of the Campaign.
- ◆ I can't stress enough how important our Faith in Our Future Capital Campaign is critical to the future of our parish community. The capital projects we plan to undertake are much-needed. We would have to undertake these whether or not Archbishop Dolan initiated an archdiocesan-wide capital campaign. The maintenance of our building and grounds has cost the parish dearly over the past several years. The updating and replacing we plan to do when we receive the money will make a difference in our operating budget.
- ◆ The issues of mistrust and non-support has come up several times during the prior years of the Campaign, not only here at St. Therese, but throughout the archdiocese. While he was our archbishop, Archbishop Dolan acknowledged that there was mistrust and non-support of the archdiocese due to the clergy sexual abuse scandal and the concomitant financial settlements, the need to sell archdiocesan assets (property) to fund the settlements, and other issues. He also not only encouraged pastors and parish directors to face these facts, but also to understand how it also affects parishes, because all our parishes and institutions are interrelated. While it saddens me that lack of support for the Capital Campaign will affect our parish negatively, I have and always will respect the decisions that each of our membership thoughtfully and prayerfully makes.
- ◆ Finally, thanks to all who continue to give of their time and talent on the Capital Campaign and for all who have made and will make financial commitments. Above all, let us face the future with hope, trust, and faith in God who has brought us to today.



This world is filled with sorrows that captivate us all. At any given moment, anyone can fall. By faith we break our daily bread with hope that God will bless. We say our prayers and go to bed in seasons of distress; We can endure 'most anything' if only there is love, for love restores our faith and hope that God still reigns above. Love gives us strength when we are weak, and courage when afraid. Love celebrates our victories and sacrifices made. Hope and faith go hand-in-hand like fingers in a glove, but greater still is God's great gift of His unending love.

The measure of love is to love without measure.

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Lynn Allen * Mark Allen * Megan Angotti * Mae Bannann
Gerry Bartz * Lenore Black* Bernice Brah * Mary Topple
Janice Corak * Anna Daevel * David Dane * Alberta Duckhorn
Ann Farrell * Theresa Gary * Stephanie Gisla * Lynn Gordon
Shirley Gradisnik * Lisa Guliano * Chuck Hillyer * Ben Hoener
John Horobin * Andy Islo * Garnet Jankowski * Marie Kneifl
Kaishian Family * Ken Knollenberg * Marcella Kozuh * Art Bonk
William Kranstover * Ann Lackovic * Greg Lefts * John Lyste
Andy Moehr * Laverne Mucci * Tom & Glenda Nitka
Ed Panelli * Brayden Ramus * Gerry Roberts * Gloria Sarandos
Sylvia Schaffer * Fran Schmidt * Barbara Schmitz * Susan Sinks
Lucy Sherock * Carlene Siever * Marion Stabo * Mary Stoke
Olga Valdovinos * Merle Weber * Virginia Weber * Bob Wilcox
Harold Vanden Heuvel * Michael Waldoch * Deanna Zychowski



Heather Mekka and Steve Wilson will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage on Saturday, May 16th here at St. Therese.

Thank You

To Christine Jensen and Mari Pavleje, who are serving the parish by tabulating the pledges and doing the accounting for our Faith in Our Future Capital Campaign.

Bulletin Board Notices/Posters Need Approval

All bulletin board notices and posters hung in church need prior approval. Please submit these to Courtney Falk in the Parish Office for approval. Unfortunately, we have had inappropriate and unsolicited postings placed on our bulletin boards. Please note that any notices posted without approval will be removed.

Join Us for Praying the Scriptural Rosary

Wednesday Prayer for the Parish

On Wednesday evenings, May 6th and 13th, at 6:15PM, we will pray the Scriptural Rosary for our Prayer for the Parish. Prayer books on the Scriptural Rosary will be provided. All are welcome.



Easter peace and blessings to you,

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

P.S. This week I will be attending the Midwest Pastoral Administrator's National Conference at the Siena Center in Racine. Parish Directors from throughout the country will participate in this conference from Monday, May 4th through Thursday, May 7th.



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, May 3rd—Commitment Weekend

Catechesis Sunday

7:30AM Canticle Choir (CH)

9:15AM St. Therese Choir (CH)

5:00PM Annual Meeting and Faith in Our Future Campaign Dinner (HH)

Monday, May 4th

6:00PM St. Vincent DePaul Society (LIB)

7:00PM Parish Council (MC)

Tuesday, May 5th

No Meetings Scheduled

Wednesday, May 6th

11:30AM SVdP Meal Program—Cook (KIT)

4:30PM SVdP Meal Program—Serve (OFFSITE)

7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)

Thursday, May 7th

No Meetings Scheduled

Friday, May 8th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, May 9th

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, May 10th

9:00AM Blood Pressure Screening (CH)

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

Please Return Your Capital Campaign Pledge Cards

Whether you decide to make a pledge or not, please return your pledge cards to the parish by dropping them in the collection basket or mailing them to the parish. If you decide not to pledge please indicate that on the card. Thank you.

55+ Social Club

Come and hear the songs of Sinatra and other golden oldies when we meet in Heck Hall on Thursday, May 14th at 11:30AM. Lunch (roast beef and turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, etc) is available at a cost of \$8.00 per person or you may "brown bag it." Reservations and money are due on Monday, May 11th. Call Barb in the Parish Office to make a reservation.

Attention All Who Use Heck Hall Kitchen

All groups, committees, and individuals who use the Heck Hall Kitchen are reminded to clean it after use, especially the stoves, counter tops and bottoms, and the floor. The kitchen, particularly, the stoves and the floor have been left very dirty. Beginning May 1st, each group that uses the Heck Hall Kitchen will be asked to sign up for use of the kitchen and sign off after the use of the kitchen, so that we can assure that our equipment is maintained properly and that proper health standards are followed. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Projects Funded by our Faith in Our Future Capital Campaign

Each parish of the archdiocese was required to submit a "case statement" detailing what projects the 60% of money collected will fund. Our total goal is \$340,000 over three years. 40% (\$136,000) will go to the Faith In Our Future Trust for education, formation, and outreach projects beyond the parish. 60% (\$204,000) will remain here at St. Therese for our parish projects. These include:

1. Replacing Bell Tower Door, repair and updating sump pump system and plumbing, as necessary, and paying for the newly-installed ramp for the south section of the church.
2. Updating the lighting and heating systems in the church and offices for maximum energy efficiency.
3. Installing a permanent baptismal font.
4. Creating a Gathering Space in church.
5. Supporting our outreach ministries, like St. Vincent de Paul Society, Greater Tosa Interfaith, our Sharing Sunday Partners, and others.
6. If financially feasible, installing a cooling system for the church for the hot summer months.

Help Wanted—Volunteers to Cut Grass at Parish House

As good stewards of the financial resources donated to the parish, we are identifying ways in which we can save the parish money. Cutting the grass at the Parish House rather than paying the lawn care service is one way we can save approximately \$500. We are looking for two or three volunteers who would be willing to cut the grass at the Parish House. Lawnmower and gas provided. Would you be willing to share some of your time to do this much-needed service? Please call Denise in the Parish Office if you are interested.

Living the Little Way

We needed manilla folders and hanging folders for the Parish Office. A member of our 55+ group donated some.

Flower/Candle Donations for the Easter Season

Easter began with the celebration of the Easter Vigil on April 11th and continues through the Solemnity of Pentecost on May 31st. Help us keep fresh flowers and plants for the church environment during this time as well as defray the cost of the extra candles used to remind us that the Light of Christ is with us always. Please consider a donation of any amount in memory of a loved one or for a special intention.

Easter Donations—PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Donor Name _____

Phone () _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please select one: In Memory In Honor In Thanksgiving

Of/For _____

Please publish: Yes No Anonymous, but print intention

Question of the Week:
How can I be the "cornerstone" to my family and those around me?

Intentions & Readings for the Week



Monday

Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday Mass

Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

8:00AM †Joe Wild

Wednesday Scriptural Rosary

6:15PM *Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50*

Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20*

Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6*

Saturday Mass

Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

5:00PM Maria Schmidt

Sunday Masses

Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

8:00AM †Joseph & †Gertrude Kohlmann

10:00AM People of St. Therese Parish Community

Thank
you!

CHURCH SUPPORT LAST WEEKEND

Offertory/Envelopes

\$4527.13

Sharing Sunday

\$1653.34

Donations Needed

Here are a few little ways to help the parish this last quarter of the fiscal year 2008-2009. These are needed:

- ♦ manilla folders (9" x 12"), hanging folders, and pocket folders
- ♦ hot/cold cups (please NO STYROFOAM)
- ♦ sturdy paper plates and dinner-size paper napkins
- ♦ boxes of Kleenex (or another brand) tissue

Senior Day of Prayer

May 6th, at the Redemptorist Retreat Center located at 1800 N Timber Trail Lane, in Oconomowoc. This one day program will help the participant to reflect on the Goodness of God and the gifts God has so generously bestowed on us. Conference, lunch, prayer, closes with celebration of the Eucharist. Cost is \$15 per person. Registration 10:00AM – Departure 3:00PM. Please call (262) 567-6900 to register or please visit www.redemptoristretreat.org for more information.

MICAH Celebration

You are invited for an evening of Fellowship and Celebration at the "To Do What is Just" Reception on Thursday, May 21st, 5:00-7:00PM at St John the Evangelist Atrium, 812 N Jackson St (across from Cathedral Square). This reception—which replaces the formal banquet of past years—will bring us together to celebrate our successes, honor our leaders and allies, and reaffirm our commitment to our work together in the coming year. Heavy hors d'oeuvres to be served, donation of \$20. Contact Dave McGinnis at (262) 253-1062 for tickets.

Sacristans and Altar Servers Needed for Funerals

Our funeral liturgies celebrate the promise of eternal life and provide comfort for grieving families. Please consider ministering as an Altar Server or Sacristan for funerals. Join others who have found this ministry rewarding and helpful to their own faith. Interested? Please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

Blood Pressure Screening

The Health and Wholeness Committee will be screening blood pressures after the 8:00AM mass until 10:00AM next weekend. If you'd like to take part in this service, please go to the last pew near the Bluemound Entrance during that time.



Thank You!

A great big "Thank You" to the following parishioners for helping out at the Lawn Party on April 25th: Cathleen Bleidorn, Anna, Rachel & Sarah Drozdowicz, Eric & Ryan Duschek, Sue & John Gritzmacher, Christine & Jim Jensen, Jake Nowak, Sr. Ann Christine, Gloria & Tom Ratkowski, Pat Rickert, Jeff & Andy Roemer, Pat Safavi, Mary Rose Sanger, Ruth & Bill Stueckroth, and Teri Wissing. Before we were rained out, we cleaned up a trailer-load of debris from the gardens and planted "spent" flowers culled from the sanctuary's Easter decorations. We are looking forward to another Lawn Party on May 30th. Watch future bulletins for further details.

Sierra Club Family Outings

Experience the fun of discovery with children. Explore hidden treasures within our city. Bring your kids and/or grandkids to Milwaukee County Grounds for short-but-sweet nature walks. Get to know other families who value the preservation of our local fields, woods and ponds; and those who share the desire to pass them on to our children.

May 9th, Talk to Tadpoles: Spot out the tad poles at the County Grounds' ponds. Learn about the metamorphosis of the bull frog and listen for them to croak. Feed some nearby dried berries to the fish. Wear your galoshes! Meet across the street from Wisconsin Lutheran College at 89th and Wisconsin Ave.

May 16th, Travel the Butterfly Trail: Watch in wonder as the cedar waxwings fuel up on fruited shrubs. Look for other birds as they migrate from Central or South America to as far north as Canada. Meet at Wil-O-Way Underwood Recreation Ctr, 10602 Underwood Pkwy, Southwest of Hansen golf course.

Meet: 10:00AM on the dates and locations listed above.

Walks: a block to a half mile, and will last about an hour.

Dress: comfortably with sturdy shoes/boots and weather-conscious apparel.

Cost: Like the best things in life, these family nature walks are free.

Volunteers: needed to assist with welcoming, guided walks, handouts/stamps/snacks.

Pre-register: contact Dianne Dagelen at diannedagelen@yahoo.com or (414) 771-1505.

Support your environment. Visit greatwatersgroup.org to learn more.

Congratulations

To our students who have received
the sacrament of Confirmation

Darian Aurelia Borst
Jordan Maximilian Borst
David Sebastian Chesney
Eric Anthony Nimphius
Jacob Nowak

Heavenly Father,

in the Old Testament, your prophets and
priests would anoint the faithful with oil.

Through this holy anointing you made
known to them their mission on earth.

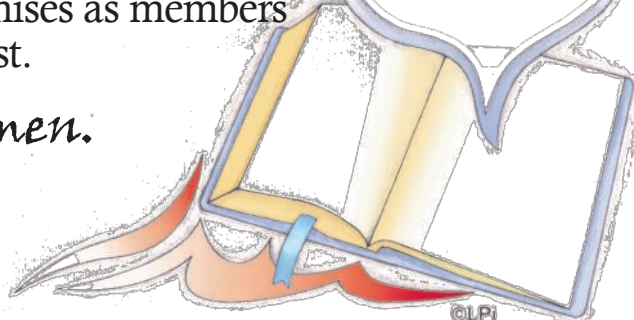
On Pentecost, at the birth of the Church,
you sent your Holy Spirit on the disciples.

On that day, the promise you gave of your
Spirit was fulfilled to the whole world.

As these newly confirmed go out into
the world, preserve the gifts of the
Spirit in their hearts.

May the completion of their initiation
through Confirmation help them fulfill
their baptismal promises as members
of the Body of Christ.

Amen.



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

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Janet Krebs (414) 774-9113

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Doug Sedlar (414) 258-3996

**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 remembrance in prayer or a pastoral visit, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

Prayer Network/Home Visits

Members of the Prayer Network pray daily for those that have asked for prayers. The intentions are kept confidential. To request prayers or a home visit, please contact Barb 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.*