



# 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 17th, 2009

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF *Easter*

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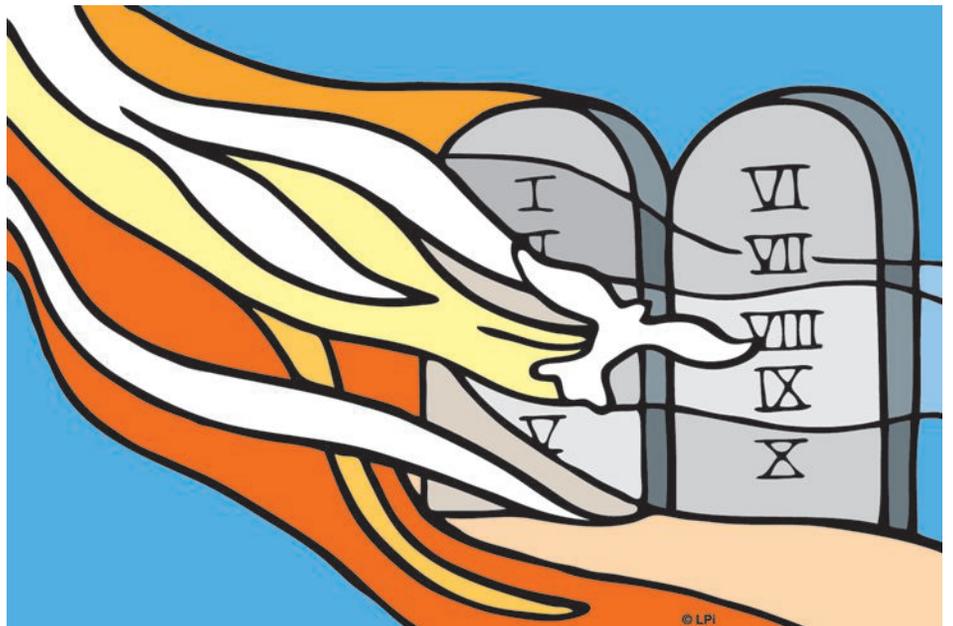
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*“If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.” -Jn 15:10-11*

### 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

- ◆ Thanks to all who attended our Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 3rd. We had a record attendance of 128, a delicious meal, and a productive meeting. Congratulations and thanks to Jim Balliet, who was re-elected as our Trustee-Treasurer for another two-year term. Jim begins his second term on July 1st, and ends on June 30th, 2011. Mari Pavleje, our Trustee-Treasurer completes her first term of office on June 30th, 2010. Each year, we elect one trustee to serve our parish. Both trustees serve on the Finance/Administration Committee and the Parish Council. Additionally, both our trustees serve as collection counters, along with other parish members who comprise the counting teams.
- ◆ Thanks to all who returned their Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign Commitment Cards. The chairpersons will be publishing our progress in the bulletin each week, and Darian Borst has designed a rosebush as a visual so that we can see our progress as well.
- ◆ Once again, I would like to clarify that none of the money committed to Faith In Our Future is used or will be used for the operations of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The 40% that goes into the Faith In Our Future Trust Fund will be used to fund initiatives in Catholic education, faith formation, and global outreach. Just as none of the 60% that remains at St. Therese Parish can be used for operating expenses, so, too, the 40% cannot be used for anything other than the restricted causes listed in the trust document.  
  
If you would like to review the legal document for the Faith In Our Future Trust Fund, you are welcome to do so. A copy is in our Parish Office.
- ◆ Lastly, over the past weeks, I've been asked, "Why are we part of an archdiocese?" The simple answer is that St. Therese Parish is a Catholic church, and, as such, this is part of our identity—we are related to other Catholic churches geographically. The collection of churches in a geographic area (e.g. southeastern Wisconsin) comprise the diocese (or archdiocese) under the ministry of leadership and authority of the bishop (archbishop).
- ◆ As a Catholic Church, we do not stand alone as an independent entity, but we relate to other Catholic churches and ministries. How this evolved and developed throughout the last two millennia of the Catholic Church's history is a long and interesting story. One of the



I met Jesus today in the flowers that bloom, in the song of the birds, in the light of the moon. In the rivers that wind as they flow to the sea, I met Jesus today — what a wonder is He! I already know He is with me each day, for His presence I feel when I kneel down and pray. There's no other so kind — He's my own special friend. I met Jesus today and on Him I depend.

*My safety and glory are with God, my strong rock and refuge. Psalm 62:8*

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 Daewel \* David Dane \* Alberta Duckhorn  
Ann Farrell \* Theresa Gary \* Stephanie Gisla \* Lynn Gordon  
Shirley Gradisnik \* Pauline Gutmann \* Chuck Hillyer  
Ben Hoener \* John Horobin \* Andy Islo \* Garnet Jankowski  
Marie Kneifl \* Kaishian Family \* Ken Knollenberg \* Art Bonk  
Marcella Kozuh \* 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

## Congratulations!

Dr. Jesse Stringer, who received his M.D. from the Medical College of Wisconsin on May 15th. Dr. Stringer begins his internship and residency at Children's Hospital this summer.



## Altar Servers Needed for All Masses

Altar Servers are needed for all our parish mass times—5:00PM Saturday; 8:00AM and 10:00AM Sunday. In order to keep offering three weekend masses at these times, we need enough liturgical ministers to serve at these liturgies. Please pray about the call to serve the Lord and the parish through the ministry of the altar. To respond, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.



Ashley Hadaway and Paul Golomski will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage on June 6th.

## Please Return Your Faith In Our Future Pledge Cards

Whether you decide to pledge or not, please return your Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign Pledge cards to the Parish Office, by placing them in the collection basket or mailing them.



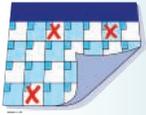
## Congratulations!

Heather Mekka and Steven Wilson celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on May 16th.

distinguishing aspects of Catholicism is the principle of communion; that is, all Catholic churches and people are related (or in communion) with each other.

Continued Easter blessings to you!

*Dr. Alexandra Guliano*



# Parish Events for the Week

## Sunday, May 17th

10:00AM Mass & Living as God's People (CH/HH)

## Monday, May 18th

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

6:30PM Christian Formation (STR)

## Tuesday, May 19th

6:45PM Finance/Administration (MC)

7:00PM Green Team (LIB)

## Wednesday, May 20th

7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)

## Thursday, May 21st

8:30AM — 6:30PM Prayer Day (CHP)

## Friday, May 22nd

No Meetings Scheduled

## Saturday, May 23rd

No Meetings Scheduled

## Sunday, May 24th

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

## Thank You!

Thank you for your generous donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. With additional donations, our grand total is \$2877.34. *Amazing!* Each week, we never know how many service requests will be made but now we *do* know we will be able to meet their needs. We will continue our periodic bulletin updates. May God bestow his grace and blessings upon you all.



## St Therese SVdP Society

## Prayer for the Parish—Lectio Divina

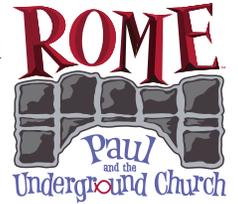
Want to get more out of the Sunday Scripture readings? Try the practice of "lectio divina," a long-revered prayer practice of praying with the Scriptures to experience the Presence of Christ in the Word and insight into how to apply it to daily life. Come to the chapel at 6:15PM on Wednesdays, May 20th and 27th to experience this prayer form.

## Question of the Week:

Jesus commanded us to "love one another, just as I love you." How can we do this without words or deeds?

## Hey Kids, Save the Date

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. It will begin on Monday, June 15th and end on Friday, June 19th at St. Bernard Church. As we end the year of St. Paul what better way than with a week in Ancient Rome. The fee for each child is \$15 and is geared toward children age 5 through 5th grade. We would welcome help from teens and adults during this week of fun. If you want to help but cannot be with us during the day, we are looking for people to bake cupcakes and supply other food during the week. For more information please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.



## 55+ Social Club

The bus for the trip to the Ameristar Casino will leave the St. Therese Parking Lot promptly at 8:30AM on Wednesday, May 20th. Please be on time, and remember to bring your picture ID. Our next meeting in Heck Hall will be on Thursday, June 11th. It's our Pot Luck Luncheon, so plan on bringing a dish to pass. Members of the Milwaukee Accordion Club Ensemble will be on hand to entertain.

## Planting Lawn Party

Do you have perennial plants that need splitting? Did you purchase too many annuals for your gardens? How about bringing those plants to beautify the Saint Therese gardens? The Green Team is sponsoring a Planting Lawn Party on Saturday, May 30th from 9:00AM-noon to finish the work begun on April 25th. A barbecue lunch will be served afterward. Bring your tools, your plants, and your smile!



## St. Therese Has a Strategic Plan

The Strategic Planning Committee has finished their work and have published the Strategic Plan. It is available on the News & Events page of our website. From there, you can download and read the plan, and find out how to present feedback.

For those who do not have web access, or do not wish to use the web, we have some copies of the plan available. We are trying to contain the cost (the booklet is over thirty pages) so if you are able, please print a copy off of the web.

We also want your feedback! Updating the plan is a ongoing process. You may contact us in a number of ways: drop a note in the collection basket, email strategicplanning@sainttheresemilwaukee.org, send a note via US mail, or leave a message at (414) 651-4425. We want to get a copy to the Archdiocesan Offices by the end of May, so please provide feedback at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

## SVdP Meal Program Needs Canned Corn Donations

Please bring canned whole kernel corn to the table near the sacristy for the St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program any weekend in May. (Please no creamed corn.) Any size can, any brand! Thank you!



## 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 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.

# Intentions & Readings for the Week



## Monday

*Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a*

## Tuesday Mass

*Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11*

8:00AM †Henry Arnold

## Wednesday Lectio Divina

6:15PM *Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15*

## Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20*

## Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23*

## Saturday Mass

*Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28*

5:00PM †Dennis Nee

## Sunday Masses

*Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mk 16:15-20*

8:00AM People of St. Therese Parish and

†Louis & †Rosie Wild

10:00AM †Frank Schaffer

Thank  
you!

## CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes &  
Offertory

Last Weekend  
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## Memorial Day Masses

### Archdiocese of Milwaukee Catholic Cemeteries

Masses for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th, at 10:00AM at all eight Archdiocesan Cemeteries: Historic Calvary, Holy Cross, Mount Olivet and St. Adalbert/ Holy Trinity in Milwaukee; All Saints in Pleasant Prairie; Resurrection in Mequon; and St. Joseph in Waukesha. Special religious commemorations and patriotic observances will be conducted at each location.

**Historic Calvary Cemetery:** Auxiliary Bishop William P. Callahan, Diocesan Administrator, will preside and preach at the foot of Chapel Hill. Sons of Union Civil War Veterans & Auxiliary are sponsoring this Civil War Memorial Day Observance. [In case of rain, this mass will move inside to St. Vincent Pallotti East.]

Come, to pray and remember anytime over the Memorial Day Weekend. Go to [www.cemeteries.org](http://www.cemeteries.org) for directions and complete information or call (414) 438-4420.

## Noodles Night for Greater Tosa Interfaith

The third annual Noodles Night will be held on Monday, June 15th from 5:00 – 9:00PM at the Noodles Restaurant located in the Heart of the Village of Wauwatosa at 7700 W State St. In order to obtain the 25% of your total order to benefit Greater Tosa Interfaith, you will need a coupon to present to the person taking your order. If you would like a coupon, call Barb in the Parish Office.

## Pallium Lecture Series

On Tuesday, June 2nd, at 7:00PM, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will present its 2009 Pallium Lecture at Alverno College's Wehr Auditorium, 3400 S 43rd St, in Milwaukee. The lecture will be preceded by a prayer service led by Bishop Callahan, and will be followed by a reception.

This year's speaker is Fr. Alfred McBride, O. Praem. of St. Norbert Abbey. Fr. McBride is a nationally-known lecturer and author. The theme of the lecture is What Does Paul, the Church's First Theologian, Mean by the Church? Fr. McBride will explain how St. Paul presented the Church as planned by the Father, founded by the Son and sustained by the Holy Spirit in good times and in bad times. The event is free of charge and open to the public.

For more information, contact Randy Nohl at (414) 758-2216 or [nohlr@archmil.org](mailto:nohlr@archmil.org).

## As the feast of Pentecost draws near, what is meant by a novena to the Holy Spirit?

In the Acts of the Apostles, Luke writes of there being ten days between the Ascension of Jesus and the sending forth of the Spirit on Pentecost. According to Acts, the followers of Jesus, some women, Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers gathered in the Upper Room where they were staying and "devoted themselves with one accord to prayer" (Acts 1:14). On Pentecost, all those gathered in the Upper Room experienced the outpouring of the Spirit by means of wind and tongues of fire.

The nine days devoted to prayer between Ascension and Pentecost is the original context for the novena, literally a nine-day period of prayer. A novena to the Holy Spirit is a parish devotion to prepare the community to welcome the Spirit more fully into its life at Pentecost.

The Vatican liturgical directives for bishops, Ceremonial for Bishops #376, states that "the weekdays from Ascension to the Saturday before Pentecost inclusive are days of preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete."

The parish community can spend these prayer days reflecting on the various gifts or fruits of the Spirit or on Scripture passages relating to the Spirit's role and function. These nine days can take the form of retreats, evenings of reflection, faith sharing, silent or communal prayer along with various other prayer forms.

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## Out of the Mouths of Babies

A little girl walked daily to and from school. Though the weather one morning was questionable and clouds were forming, she made the daily trek to the elementary school.

As the day progressed, the winds whipped up, along with thunder and lightning. The mother was worried that her daughter would be frightened walking back home from school, and she herself feared the electrical storm might cause her harm. Being very concerned, the mother got into her car and drove along the route to the school.

Soon, she saw her small child walking along. The thunder would boom, and then, at each flash of lightning, the child would stop, look up and smile. One followed another, each time with her child stopping, looking up at the streak of light, and smiling.

Finally, the mother called out and asked, "Honey, what are you doing?" Her little girl answered, "God keeps taking pictures of me!"

### Christian Formation News

The Christian Formation Committee is working on a Christian Formation Handbook. This handbook will contain information about all of the formational opportunities available to St. Therese parishioners. It will also include the expectations for all families with children in the program as well as dates for all attendance requirements. The handbook will be available in late summer but you can print the schedule now from the Catechesis page of our website. I would also like to make people aware that all children in the Christian Formation Program are required to attend Living as God's People, and parents of children in grades 1-6 are required to attend parent sessions while their children are in session. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Cathy in the Parish Office.



### 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

### Take the Bulletin With You!

Have you ever wondered how our bulletin would look in full-color? Are you going to miss the bulletin next weekend because you'll be out of town? Both of these problems are solved, thanks to the wonders of technology! Simply go to our website (the address is always on the cover of this bulletin) and click on the "News & Events" button at the top. The link to the bulletins is in the right-side column (see image above). Access the full-color version of our bulletin online each week to keep up with parish happenings whether you'll be vacation all summer, or just visiting a different parish for one weekend. All the content is exactly the same as the printed version, and you can see any bulletin going back to July 2nd, 2006. Don't miss a thing!



### 4th Fiscal Quarter Beginning

With the 4th Fiscal Quarter Beginning, it is the time of year when budgets are tight. As a catechetical leader, it is also the time of year when I am being given offers I hate to refuse. Currently, I have access to a website which I use for the Living as God's People sessions and draw from for special events such as Breakfast with the Saints and Carnival Sunday. This website has made wonderful improvements with even more information and opportunities for the catechetical programs here at St. Therese. In the past the fee for this service has been \$100 for a year due to the size of our parish. This year the fee will increase to \$150. However, if the renewal is purchased prior June 1st, it will stay at the old rate. Please consider donating all or part of this \$100 fee. If you have questions or would like to make a contribution please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.

### Flower/Candle Donations for the Easter Season

There are still a few weeks left in this Easter season! 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

### Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

#### Chairperson

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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.*