



# 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.

September 13th, 2009

## Parish Staff

### Parish Director

Dr. Alexandra Guliano ext. 14  
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### Assisting Priest

Rev. Hugh Birdsall, SDS

### Help-out Priest

Rev. Norm Oswald

### Administrative Assistant

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Sterling Biggers, Parish Musician

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### Ministers

All the Members of the Parish

### Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 — listen for instructions

## Mass Schedule

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

### Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Thursday, Friday: 8:00AM

See inside for Holy Day Schedules



*“Whoever wishes to COME after me must deny himself, take up his CROSS, and FOLLOW me. For whoever wishes to save his LIFE will lose it, but whoever LOSES his life for my sake and that of the gospel will SAVE it.”*

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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**

Inserted in today's bulletin is the Financial Summary of Stewardship for the Fiscal Year 2008-2009. Thanks to Mari Pavleje, Trustee-Secretary, for creating the summary. The Finance/Administration Committee reviewed and approved the detailed report of Fiscal 2008-2009 at its August 20th meeting. The Parish Council will review the detailed report at its Monday, September 14th meeting. Additional thanks to Lisa Vallone, Bookkeeper, for preparing the detailed report and to Tom Rutkowski for his accounting assistance. If you are a registered parish member and would like to review the detailed report, please contact a Finance/Administration Committee member. Their names are on the back of the report. The Finance/Administration Committee member will review the report with you.

You will note that we ended the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 with a deficit of approximately \$32,000. This is roughly 7% of the total income we received from collections, special donations, fundraising, rentals, and bequests. As you can see, our collections fell short of the projected amount, our Building & Grounds expenses exceeded our budgeted amount, and the cost of benefits for staff was above projections.

Fortunately, we covered the deficit by our Parish Reserves. Thankfully, the parish carries no debt. However, we need to replenish our reserves in order to remain a viable, healthy parish.

To that end, one effort that is helping our financial situation is our Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign. Through the funds generated from this campaign, we have been able to fund the necessary repairs to our infrastructure that we began last fiscal year. If we did not have the Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign, we would have had to initiate our own parish campaign for needed repairs and maintenance. After 53 years, our building and grounds need repairs and updating. We can no longer defer needed maintenance.

Barring any emergencies, we forecast that the initial repairs to our building and grounds will be paid by the time of the December 2009 transfer we receive from the Faith In Our Future Trust Fund. (We usually receive our transfers by the 28th of the month.) Beginning with the January 2010 transfer, we will begin working on the replacement of the water heater and completion of the heating updates. After that project is funded and completed, we will move on to updating our lighting system.

Thanks to all who have shared your financial gifts in support of the parish. Your gifts have kept our parish strong and solid over the past years. We have met every challenge before us, guided by the Holy Spirit and living in the Little Way of St. Therese.

Last spring, the Parish Council and Finance/Administration Committee passed a balanced budget for 2009-2010. Our staff and our lay leadership are committed to wise stewardship so that we can end fiscal 2009-2010 with no deficit. We are well aware that we can only do this if our membership is likewise committed to support the parish and give of their time and talent.

Finally, due to the Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign and the 2009 Catholic Stewardship Appeal that are currently in process, the Finance/Administration Committee decided not to have a Parish Support Commitment Process this fall. Instead, we ask all our members to continue their contributions and donations to the parish; and, if possible, to increase these according to your financial ability.

When it comes to giving, God comes first, for God is the Giver of All. Putting God first is sometimes a challenging act of faith and trust. But I can attest, through my own journey with putting God first, that God never fails or disappoints, and without a doubt, God provides!

In gratitude,

*Dr. Alexandra Guliano*

### **Ministry Meeting for All Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers**

All Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors are asked to attend the Ministry Meeting on Tuesday, September 29th at 6:30PM in Heck Hall. If you are unable to attend, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

### **September Parish Council Meeting**

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the September Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday, September 14th at 7:00PM.

### **Donations Needed**

- ◆ Balance to cover the cost of the missalettes for the chapel—\$50
- ◆ Three adult Altar Server Albs—\$74.95 each (total \$224.85)
- ◆ Balance for the purchase of the large industrial lawnmower for the parish grounds—\$2700

If you are interested in donating toward the cost of any of the above, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

- ◆ Replacement switch for Fr. Hugh's microphone—\$111.48  
Please contact Elterine in the Parish Office for this donation

- ◆ Craft Fair food licenses and other expenses—\$400

Please contact Courtney or Cathy in the Parish Office for this donation



# Parish Events for the Week

## Sunday, September 13th

8:45AM Sunday School (GLP/GN/MC/RR)  
9:10AM St. Therese Choir (CH)  
After Masses Ministry Fair (HH), Mum Sale (CH)  
5:30PM Teens (MC)

## Monday, September 14th

6:00PM St. Vincent DePaul Society (HH)  
7:00PM Parish Council (MC)  
7:30PM Sharing Sunday Committee (LIB)

## Tuesday, September 15th

6:45PM Finance/Administration (MC)  
7:00PM Ushers Society (HH)  
7:00PM Green Team (LIB)

## Wednesday, September 16th

6:30PM Personnel (STR)  
7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)  
7:30PM Praise Band (CH)

## Thursday, September 17th

8:30AM — 6:30PM Prayer Day (CHP)  
5:30PM Living as God's People (HH)

## Friday, September 18th

No Meetings Scheduled

## Saturday, September 19th

4:15PM Canticle Choir (CH)

## Sunday, September 20th

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

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

## 55+ Social Club

Join us at 11:30AM in Heck Hall on Thursday, October 8th for Bingo Bash! The folks from the Laureate Group are providing Bingo complete with prizes and a grand prize for the final cover-all game. Reservations are required as seating is limited. Our catered luncheon features roast beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, tossed salad and dressing, watermelon and cantaloupe, rolls and butter at a cost of \$7.50 per person or you may bring your own lunch. Money and reservations are due on Monday, October 5th. Call Barb in the Parish Office to make a reservation.

**Question of the Week:**  
Am I really helping anyone outside my family to stay warm and eat well?



Who numbers the stars in the night sky or measures the sand on the shore? Who directs the birds under Heaven and stills the ocean's deep roar? Who has given the sun golden splendor and set the moon for a light? Who ordained the earth's changing seasons, making dawning pursue the night? Who has formed the hills and the valleys, the fields, the streams and the sea? None other but God up in Heaven, the mighty Creator is He.

*Above all, give praise to your Creator, who showers His favors upon you.  
Sirach 32:13*

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Mark Allen, Megan Angotti, Lenore Black, Art Bonk, Bernice Brah, Gina Carter, Doris Collins, Janice Corak, Anna Daevel, David Dane, Alberta Duckhorn, Len Dushek, Ann Farell, Theresa Gary, Stephanie Gisla, Lynn Gordon, Marcia Griffin, Pauline Gutmann, Chuck Hillyer, Ben Hoener, Andy Islo, Garnet Jankowski, Hannah Johnson, Marie Kneifl, Ken Knollenberg, Marcella Kozuh, William Kranstover, Tom Kreuter, Ann Lackovic, Frank & Raquel Lemanski, John Lyste, Karen McAleese, Charlotte Meeks, Chris Melloch, Andy Moehr, Laverne Mucci, Michelle Muschelewicz, Ed Panelli, Ralph Petrie, Brayden Ramus, Gerry Roberts, Benjamin Salgy, Gloria Sarandos, Sylvia Schaffer, Fran Schmidt, Ted Schmidt, John Schmitt, Barbara Schmitz, Carlene Siever, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mary Stoke, Harold Vanden Heuvel, Merle Weber, Bob Wilcox, Jim Wollenhaupt, Deanna Zychowski

## Volunteers Needed for Heck Hall Kitchen Cleaning

The Heck Hall Kitchen and appliances need cleaning at least once per month, particularly after the first Wednesday of the month cooking for the St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program. Cleaning can be done in the evenings, on weekends, or on Thursdays. If you can serve the parish in this way, please contact Denise Dostalek in the Parish Office.

## Looking Forward to Mission Sunday

### September 26th/27th

FUVIRESE was founded in 1993 in Baños, Ecuador by people with disabilities. They and their organization have become national and international leaders who promote understanding and services to people with handicaps.

FU—FOUNDATION  
VI—for life (vida)  
RE—accepting REALITY  
SE—giving SERVICE

## Dear St. Therese Congregation,

We would like to thank St. Therese's congregation for the opportunity to be a part of your Sharing Weekend. St. Therese is a very warm and inviting group of people. I commend you for offering yourselves to us and to other groups as well.

Sincerely yours,

*Andy Hendrickson*

Operation Iraqi Freedom Connection Program

## Do You Have Questions?

### Faith in Our Future Capital Campaign

We are blessed with three energetic, committed, and enthusiastic Chairpersons for our Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign. If you have any questions or would like to speak with (or email) any of the chairs, their contact information is listed below, or email all of them by sending a single message to [fiofchairs@sainttheresemilwaukee.org](mailto:fiofchairs@sainttheresemilwaukee.org)

Michael Falk (414) 254-5619 [mjf@e-falk.com](mailto:mjf@e-falk.com)  
Ann Maher (414) 453-4437 [amaher@whdlaw.com](mailto:amaher@whdlaw.com)  
Dr. Jesse Stringer (262) 442-3710 [JStringer@mcw.edu](mailto:JStringer@mcw.edu)

## Intentions & Readings for the Week

### Monday

Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

### Tuesday Mass

1 Tm 3:1-13/Jn 19:25-27

8:00AM †Frank Schaffer

### Wednesday

1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35

### Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM 1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50

### Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3

### Saturday Mass

1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15

5:00PM †Abby Bunzel

### Sunday Masses

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

8:00AM People of St. Therese Parish and

†Mary Fangmann

10:00AM †Frida Bippus



## What We've Accomplished with our 3rd Disbursement Faith In Our Future Funds

On August 26th, we received our third transfer from our Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign for \$6616.80. We were able to pay the following with this money:

- ♦ Third tithe check: St. Vincent dePaul Society—\$661.68
- ♦ Heating repairs: Best Heating and Air Conditioning—\$4353.86
- ♦ Repair of Roof Leak: Proseal—\$193.68

Thanks to all who pledged and contributed to our Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign. If you have not yet pledged and would like to do so, please fill out a pledge card in the pews. Pledges and donations of any amount help keep our parish strong!

## Warm Up for the Crop Walk

Sign up for the St. Vincent De Paul—Walk for the Poor, Saturday, September 26th, by registering on line at [www.svdpmilw.org](http://www.svdpmilw.org). We meet at St Francis Seminary at 10:15AM for a one- or three-mile walk along Oak Leaf Trail. If you are not interested in the walk but would like to sponsor our members you can make a check out to SVdP Society-Walk for the Poor and place it in our donation boxes located at either end of the church. Thanks again for all the support you have given us this past year.

## Hearts With Haiti

Bill Nathan and Walnes Cangas, St. Therese's 2008 Mission Sunday guests from Hearts with Haiti, will be the guests of St. Francis Cabrini (SFC) parish in West Bend for 2009. A delegation from SFC came to St. Therese last year to interview Bill and Walnes, and has joined in partnership with Hearts with Haiti and St. Joseph's Home.

If you are interested in loving Jesus' children, there are two opportunities:

- ♦ Join the delegation from St. Therese that will go to SFC for the 4:30PM mass on Saturday September 26th. Pizza party to follow
- ♦ SFC is filling and shipping a cargo container to Haiti. Supplies (listed below) and/or donations towards customs fees are needed.

If you can help with either, please call Christine Jensen at (262) 391-1851.

**Hygiene Supplies:** (all size containers can be used, including hotel- or travel-size soaps and shampoo) soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, lotion, Vaseline, baby powder, baby oil, nail clippers, Q-tips, baby wipes

**Medical Supplies:** adult and children's cough syrup, advil and tylenol-type products (for children and adults), peroxide.

**School Supplies:** loose-leaf notebooks (large rule), spiral notebooks (large rule), batteries (AA, AAA, C, D), composition notebooks (large and small rule), chalkboards (lap-size), construction paper (large sheets), butcher paper on roll, ziplock bags (all sizes), # 2 pencils (not recycled), soft-pencil erasers, children's scissors, glue sticks, crayons, colored pencils, washable markers, white-out, chalk (white & colored), chalkboard erasers, dry-erase boards, markers and erasers for same, backpacks (new or very gently used), solar calculators (target \$1.00 6"x 8" size).

Thank  
you!

## CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes &  
Offertory

Last Weekend  
\$6651.4

## Volunteer Opportunities

Greater Tosa Interfaith is seeking volunteers willing to help older adults with getting their leaves raked, air conditioners taken down and storms put up. With just a few hours of your time and a little elbow grease you can make a difference on Saturday, November 7th.

GTI is also looking for cookie bakers, packers and deliverers. Each year GTI delivers some Holiday Cheer in the form of a plate of home-baked Christmas cookies to their clients. Bakers can bring a batch of cookies, in a disposal container, to the Interfaith Office by 9:00AM on Monday, December 21st. Cookie Packers are needed on December 21st from about 9:00—10:30AM, and Cookie Deliverers are needed to deliver cookies to 5 or 6 households anytime between December 21st-24th.

If you are able to help with any of these projects contact Diane Euting at Greater Tosa Interfaith, (414) 453-5750.

## Reminder to All Ushers, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, & Greeters

Please remember to procure a substitute if you are unable to minister at a liturgy for which you are scheduled. Lately there have been a shortage of Ushers at the 5:00PM Saturday mass. At least three Ushers are needed at each mass.

Also, all Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, and Greeters are asked to check before each mass you attend to fill the "open" ministries. While we are grateful for time and the chance to vacation during the summer months, we need ministers to cover for those who are unable to minister during these times. Thanks for your cooperation and generous service!

### Exhibitors and Volunteers Still Needed for the Craft Fair

We are still looking for exhibitors to fill our hall on the weekend of November 7th/8th. If you would like to host your own booth, or know anyone that would, please fill out the application on our website, or call Courtney in the Parish Office and ask her to mail one out to you. In order to make this fair a success, we need more people to sell their crafts. Handmade items only, please. We will also need volunteers the weekend of the event to help with check-in for the exhibitors, help unloading of crafts from cars, food vendors, raffle ticket sellers, and more. There is a job for everyone, whether you like to walk around or sit and stay put. If you would like to donate anything, see a list of specific items needed, register for a booth, or volunteer to help out that weekend, please visit [www.sainttheresemilwaukee.org/craffair](http://www.sainttheresemilwaukee.org/craffair), or contact Cathy or Courtney in the Parish Office. Thank you for anything you can do!

### CROP Walk October 11th—Meet The Challenge

Join us for a fun walk at the Milwaukee Lakefront. We are looking for parishioners of all ages to walk for the alleviation of hunger here in the Milwaukee area and around the world. There is a choice of a 2-mile or 5.5-mile walk. Last year, 42 St. Therese parishioners walked under a large banner and raised \$1,604 dollars. Can we do it again and raise the numbers? Our goal is to enlist at least 50 members of our parish.

If you are not able to walk, we need sponsors for the walkers. There is also a need for people to help register the walkers on the weekends of September 26th/27th, October 3rd/4th, and 10th/11th, people to stuff bulletins, and other helping hands for the event. You can also sign up or find more information through the News & Events page of our website to walk or sponsor walkers.

We will collect food for Hunger Task Force on October 3rd/4th, and 10th/11th. Check our web site for further information. To volunteer or for further questions, call Barb Gritzmacher at (414) 774-1396, Donna Maccani at (262) 309-9212 or Cathy in the Parish Office.

### Please Return Your Pledge Cards

#### Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign

All parish members are asked to return their Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign Pledge Cards whether you make a pledge or one-time contribution. Your returning the card will cut down on the cost of reminder mailings.

### Peace Prayer Service

Our parish is hosting our Third Annual Peace Prayer Service on Thursday, October 1st at 7:00PM. We are being joined by members of the choirs from Sacred Heart Croatian, St. Vincent Pallotti, and St. Catherine Parish. Catholics for Peace and Justice, an Archdiocesan group dedicated to praying and working for peace, will also join us.

After the Service, our guests will be invited to hospitality in Heck Hall. We need volunteers to provide home baked goodies, snacks and beverages. We also need volunteers to help set up chairs and tables before the reception, as well as volunteers to take down the tables and chairs afterward. Will you please help? If you can, please fill out the form below and return it to Elterine in the Parish Office or at the organ after any mass.

#### Peace Prayer Service Volunteer Sign-Up

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I will bring:  homemade goodies  beverages  snacks

I will help:  set up beforehand  clean up/tear down afterward

serve food  coordinate the reception

**Please return to Elterine by September 27th.**

### 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

Darian Borst (414) 461-8030

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Richard Sanger (414) 425-2028

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.*