



# 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.

February 14th, 2010

## Parish Staff

### Parish Director

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All the Members of the Parish

### Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 — listen for instructions



*“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for the kingdom of God is yours.  
Blessed are you who are now hungry,  
for you will be satisfied.”*

— Lk 6:20-21

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## 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*

**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

◆ Lent begins this Wednesday, February 17th. We begin our 40-Day Retreat and preparation for Easter. During these days, we resolve to “turn away from sin and believe in the Gospel.” The three tried and true ways the church gives us are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Please note that there are extra opportunities for communal prayer during Lent. Each Wednesday of Lent, following Ash Wednesday, we will celebrate Morning Prayer at 7:00AM in the chapel; mass at 6:30PM; and Stations of the Cross at 7:15PM. Many parishes have mid-week services during Lent...these are ours. In addition, we celebrate mass every Tuesday morning at 8:00AM. Liturgy of the Word with Communion is celebrated on Thursdays and Fridays at 8:00AM in the chapel.

Fasting can take many forms—fasting from food, from an activity, from a behavior or a habit, or doing without something. I recently read a column in which the author decided to fast from complaining. She referred to the “Complaint-Free World” movement started by minister Will Bowen of Kansas City, MO. Brown encouraged people to go 21 days without complaining. His vision is to inspire one percent of the world’s population (60 million people) to leave the toxic communication of complaining behind. (See [complaintfreeworld.org](http://complaintfreeworld.org) to learn more.)

There are many ways to give alms. We did so as a parish two weeks ago when we took up the special

collection for the people and relief effort in Haiti. Something that we tend to overlook with regard to almsgiving is its relationship to fasting. When we fast from spending money on something (food, items, etc.), the money we would have spent on those things is to be given as alms. We do without so that we can give more to others in need.

Lent can be a gift for our spiritual lives. Blessings on your Lenten journey!

◆ Our parish groups, committees, and staff have begun the 2010-2011 Budget Process. Our goal, as always, is to submit a balanced budget to the Archdiocese. Thanks to all who support our parish community in so many ways—financially, ministerially, and spiritually. A special thanks to our Finance/Administration Committee for overseeing and monitoring our stewardship throughout the year:

Doug Sedlar, Chairperson; Janet Krebs, Vice-Chairperson; Mary Bunzel, Secretary; Jim Balliet, Trustee-Treasurer; Mari Pavleje, Trustee-Secretary; Bill Hoppenjan; Tom Rutkowski; Dave Drodzdowicz, Parish Council Representative; Kathy Hubrich; Joel Simpson; Lisa Vallone, Bookkeeper; and me, Parish Director

Let us continue to walk together by faith in Christ, in the Little Way of St. Therese.

God bless you!

*Dr. Alexandra Guliano*

## Lenten Observances for Fast and Abstinence

The Catholic Church asks each member to preserve the penitential character and purpose of Lent. For this reason:

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and each Friday of Lent.
2. Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, in addition to abstaining from meat, should fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Hence, on those days they should eat only one full meal. Smaller quantities of food may be taken at two other meals, but no food should be consumed at other times during those two days. The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of one’s 59th birthday.

Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.



## Lenten Wednesdays: Morning Prayer and Evening Mass

Lent begins this week with Ash Wednesday on February 17th. Two masses will be celebrated—8:00AM and 7:00PM in the Church. Beginning on Wednesday, February 24th and continuing through Wednesday of Holy Week, April 1st, we will celebrate Morning Prayer at 7:00AM and mass at 6:30PM in the Chapel. A sacristan is needed for the 6:30PM masses on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested in responding to this call to ministry, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

## 8th Faith In Our Future Transfer Received

On January 27th, our parish received \$3,676.80 from the Faith In Our Future Trust Fund. Thanks to all who have pledged and contributed to our Capital Campaign. A title of \$367.68 will be given to Greater Tosa Interfaith during the month of February. If you wish to make a pledge or a one-time donation to our Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign, pledge cards and envelopes are in the pews and on the tables at the entrances of the church. If you have any questions regarding our Faith In Our Future Campaign, please contact one of the following chairpersons:

Michael Falk	(414) 254-5619	mjf@e-falk.com
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or email all three chairs at [fiofchairs@sainttheresemilwaukee.org](mailto:fiofchairs@sainttheresemilwaukee.org)

### CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory	\$6517.43
Haitian Relief	\$865.00







# Parish Events for the Week

## Sunday, February 14th

- 8:45AM Sunday School (ALL ROOMS)
- 9:10AM St. Therese Choir (CH)
- 11:00AM Carnival Sunday (HH)

## Monday, February 15th

- 6:00PM St. Vincent dePaul (MC)
- 6:30PM Library Committee (LIB)
- 6:30PM Christian Formation (STR)

## Tuesday, February 16th

- 6:45PM Finance/Administration (MC)
- 7:00PM Green Team (LIB)

## Wednesday, February 17th—Ash Wednesday

- 8:00AM Ash Wednesday Mass (CH)
- 7:00PM Ash Wednesday Mass (CH)

## Thursday, February 18th

- 8:30AM–6:30PM Prayer Day (CHP)

## Friday, February 19th

No Meetings Scheduled

## Saturday, February 20th

- 4:15PM Canticle Choir (CH)

## Sunday, February 21st

No Meetings Scheduled

CH=Church, CHP=Chapel, GLP=God's Little 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

## Little Black & Little Purple Books

As Lent approaches please feel free to take a copy of the "Little Black Books" for adults or "Little Purple Books" for children. In each book are daily reflections to consider as you move through your Lenten conversion. Books are available at each of the church entrances.

## Archbishop ListECKI Prayer Cards

Prayer cards are available on the tables at the entrances of the church. Please take as many as you would like and kindly remember to lift up our new archbishop in prayer.

## Bake Sale for Haiti

In conjunction with the chili event on Sunday, February 28th, we will have a bake sale for Haiti. If you would like to contribute a baked good to this cause please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.

## Art and Environment

The environment of the church is meant to help express the liturgical season being celebrated in the weekly liturgies. It is truly a gift to have an eye for the aesthetics and the deep understanding of liturgical rules for the art and environment of the church. As we begin a period of Ordinary Time and approach the seasons of Lent and Easter, training will be offered for individuals interested in sharing their gifts to this area of ministry. Please call ext. 21 if you are interested in learning and working with your fellow parishioners on this endeavor.

## Organization of Your Financial Records/Estate Planning

Come to this free seminar on Wednesday March 3rd, from 10:00–11:30AM in Miriam's Corner. Refreshments from Sima's Bakery and Alterra Coffee will be provided. Please call Dave Drozdowicz at (262) 243-3125 to reserve your spot.



## Prayer Shawls and the Prayer Shawl Ministry

Over the past several months, members of the St. Therese community have been making blankets and Afghans to be given to those members of St. Therese who are currently and/or recently in nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, or hospice care. This is a wonderful ministry for those who would like to contribute without having deadlines and meetings to contend with. The creation of these treasures is at your own pace. Yarn and patterns are available if you need them. If you knit, crochet, sew, or knot fleece, and would like to join this ministry, please contact Cathy in the Parish Office. It is important for all members of the St. Therese community that we continue to love and support them even and especially when they are unable to be present at our weekend liturgies. If you know of someone who would like to have one of these lovely shawls/blankets please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.

## Who Will be Named "The Big Bean?"

On Sunday, February 28th, there will be a contest of monumental proportions! It is the First Annual St. Therese Chili Cook-Off! All St. Therese committees, ministries, and groups have been invited to come up with their best chili recipe to compete against one another. Judges have been chosen and the winning group will have the honor of the title, "The Big Bean." But the real winners are the members of the St. Therese Community! For just \$5.00 a person or \$20.00 per family, you will have the opportunity to try three different cups of chili and a bag of chips. For an additional 50¢ you can purchase a can of soda. All proceeds from the chili and soda benefit the St. Therese Community. Starting next week we will be accepting reservations for this fun-family event.

## Big Bean Chili Event RSVP Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_  
 I will:  help set up before the event  help clean up afterwards  
 Please return this slip to Cathy by 4:00PM on February 23rd.

*Question of the Week:*  
 How are you living as a disciple?

# Intentions & Readings for the Week



## February Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of †Paul Weidmeyer

### Monday

*Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13*

### Tuesday Mass

*Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21*

8:00AM The Intentions of Rosemary Preschler

### Wednesday Masses

*Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18*

8:00AM For St. Therese Parish Community

7:00PM †Marietta & †Alessandro Lateana

### Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25*

### Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15*

### Saturday Mass

*Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32*

5:00PM †Gene Todarello

### Sunday Masses

*Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13*

8:00AM †Abby Bunzel

10:00AM St. Therese Parish Community

## Lenten Reflection Opportunity

A Lenten reflected entitled "The Return of the Prodigal Son: The Parable, The Painting and You" is being offered by the School Sisters of Notre Dame on Saturday, February 20th, from 9:00AM-12:00PM or Tuesday, February 23rd from 6:00-9:00PM at Notre Dame of Elm Grove at 13105 Watertown Plank

Rd. Participants will reflect on the parable of the prodigal son and what challenges and insights it might have for them. The wisdom of Henri Nouwen found in his book by this title will be tapped for new meanings to ponder. Registration by February 8th is required. Fee: \$5.00 payable at the door. For more information go to [www.ssnd-milw.org](http://www.ssnd-milw.org) or contact Deborah Bialozynski at (262) 787-1026.



Lent

## Mass of Healing for Separated and Divorced Persons

Bishop Richard Sklba will preside and preach at the celebration of the Eucharist on Saturday, February 27th at St. Mary Parish in Hales Corners. This is an opportunity for those who have experienced a separation or divorce to gather, pray, and socialize after mass.



Ed Baganz, Gerry Bartz, Beth Beauduin, Lenore Black, Gene Brah, Anna Daevel, Tom Fera, Sr Mary Bride Grubbs, Georgina Guevara, Jim Guliano, Pauline Gutmann, Ben Hoener, Andy Islo, Garnet Jankowski, Ken Knollenberg, Marcella Kozuh, Tom Kreuter, Ann Lackovic, Sarah Luck, Charlotte Meeks, Chris Melloch, Laverne Mucci, Michelle Muschelewicz, Darleene Regan, Gerry Roberts, Alice Roemer, Sylvia Schaffer, Gladys Shafer, Carlene Siever, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mary Stoke, Robert John Swiderski, Topel Family, Judy Valla, Harold Vanden Heuvel, Merle Weber, Bob Wilcox

## Living Our Faith with Archbishop ListECKi

Catholic Knights presents "Living Our Faith" television shows, hosted by Archbishop Jerome ListECKi, beginning on Saturday, February 13th at noon on WISN TV 12 and Time Warner Cable's Wisconsin On Demand Channel 411. Shows continue every Saturday at noon through April 3rd, with one exception: there will not be a show on Saturday, March 13th, instead the show will air on Sunday, March 14th at 11:00AM. For more information, visit the website, [www.livingourfaith.net](http://www.livingourfaith.net)

**Q** Carnivale and Mardi Gras celebrations are linked to Ash Wednesday, Lent, fast and abstinence. Can you tell us more about the connections between these events?

**A** Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the 40 days known as Lent. Every year, Christians highlight this penitential season as a time of self-examination, reformation of one's life, and continued development of a deeper spiritual life. The recommended practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving become the focus of Lenten activity and ritual. Each of these spiritual practices is aimed at personal discipline as well as continued concern for the other, especially the poor or alienated.

Forty days is a symbolic biblical period of time, during which personal transformation occurs and out of which people surface as more spiritual, ready to carry out God's mission. Relying on God's providence and care, no matter how difficult life becomes, is crucial to Lenten spirituality. Fasting was initially more strict, permitting only one simple meal a day without meat, fish or other delicacies. Such things were not even allowed in the house.

In order to prepare for this in an age of no refrigeration, people gathered to consume whatever was not allowed during Lent. This led to parties or celebrations originally referred to as Carnivale, literally meaning "goodbye to meat," or Mardi Gras, literally meaning "Fat Tuesday." The eating and celebrating ended on the Tuesday just before Ash Wednesday. Today we focus more on moderation in all things, as well as a strong concern the poor. What are you doing for the poor this Lent?

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### Coordinator(s) for Funeral Lunch Ministry Needed

One of the most valued ministries our parish offers is the Funeral Lunch Ministry. When a family loses a loved one, we not only celebrate the funeral rites here at St. Therese, but also offer hospitality/lunch in Heck Hall afterward. Parish members send baked goods and desserts; the parish provides refreshments, the serving ware, and the servers. Food (the main course and other food) is usually provided through a catering service or through the family. We have averaged approximately ten funeral lunches per year in the past years, since some families prefer to have lunch at a restaurant. At least two coordinators are needed. If you are interested in helping coordinate this ministry, please contact Kathy Doyne, Personnel Committee Chairperson, at (414) 771-7555. Thanks for your consideration.

### Yes, Uganda, We Can

As Lent approaches, the Human Concerns committee wants you to know that the recipient of our Lenten Alms will be Grandmothers Beyond Borders (GBB). ~~It is no secret that Africa is suffering from an epidemic of the dreaded AIDS disease.~~ GBB is a three-year-old, local, non-profit organization that provides assistance to grandmothers (and one grandfather) who are raising their grandchildren because their children have died. We have consistently given our Lenten gifts to organizations that improve the lives of the recipients in the long term, and GBB does that. Watch the bulletin for more about this organization which is entirely in the hands of volunteers, so every penny we save during this fasting season will go directly to Africa. Learn how the grandparents have responded to the help they have received during the last three years since GBB came into being. Mark your calendars now for March 7th and attend the "A Touch of Uganda" party!



### Please Keep Interior Church Doors Closed During Winter

Please help us save on our heating bill by making sure that the inner church doors are closed during the cold winter months. Please refrain from propping the doors open. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

### Liturgical Ministry Schedules Now On Our Website!

Liturgical Ministry Schedules for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, and Greeters are now accessible online through our parish website under the "Liturgical Ministries" tab. Download a new copy if yours got misplaced, or check the schedule when you're not at home.

### Training Sessions for Ushers

Trainings sessions for new Ushers (and anyone currently in the ministry who wishes a refresher) will be held on Sundays, February 21st and 28th at 9:00AM (after the 8:00AM mass) in the Church. Both sessions are required. Please meet in the middle section. A sign-up form for the Usher Ministry is below.

### Ushers Needed for All Parish Masses

#### Sign Up Today!

Ushers are needed for all our parish masses, but especially for our 5:00PM and 8:00AM masses. Training sessions will be held in late February. The schedule is flexible. If you are interested in serving as an Usher, please fill out the form below and return it to the Parish Office or drop it in the collection basket. Kindly indicate which masses for which you would be available. You will be contacted regarding training times.



#### I'd like to be an Usher!

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

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like to serve at: Saturday:  5:00PM    Sunday:  8:00AM     10:00AM

Please return to the Parish Office via mail or weekend collection.

### Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM

#### Chairperson

Kathy Hubrich (414) 259-1961

#### Vice-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 List

It is our privilege to pray for members of our community that are suffering in any way. If you would like to add a name to the list, please submit the form at [sainttheresemilwaukee.org/prayerlist](http://sainttheresemilwaukee.org/prayerlist) or call Courtney 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.*