

## 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 16th, 2010

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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

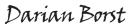


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Daughter of David & Beth Divine Savior Holy Angels HS

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Son of David & Beth Marquette HS

Emily Ferger

Daughter of Dennis & Lynne Wauwatosa East HS

Nathan Ferger

Son of Dennis & Lynne **UW-Eau Claire** 

Andrew Glaser

Son of Nick & Terri Marguette University Stephanie Jankowski

Niece of Elterine Jankowski-Biggers UW-Madison

Renee Toppany

Niece of Elterine Jankowski-Biggers

San Jose State University

Ryan MacGillis

Son of Sue

Marguette Law School

Eric Nimphius

Son of David & Anna New Berlin West HS

Emma Stueckroth

Granddaughter of Bill & Ruth Brookfield East HS

Richie Stueckroth

Grandson of Bill & Ruth Hamilton HS

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



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



## Welcome to Saint Therese Catholic Church, Milwankee, Wisconsin

#### From the Desk of the Parish Director

Thanks to the approximately 100 people who attended the Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 2nd. Several important issues were discussed and resolutions passed. Among these were the following:

- ◆ Election of Kathy Hubrich as Trustee-Secretary, effective July 1st, 2010 through June 30th, 2011.
- ◆ Thanks expressed to Mari Pavleje for serving as Trustee-Secretary for the last five years (2005–2010.)
- ◆ Acceptance of the Committee/Group Reports with one correction to the Finance/Administration Committee report (the check for "World Mission" was for \$250 rather than \$6200)
- ◆ Review of the 2010-2011 Parish Operating Budget with explanations and comments by Jim Balliet, Trustee-Treasurer
- ◆ Update on our Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign by Michael Falk, Chairperson
- ◆ Approval of Revision to the Parish Council By-Laws
- ◆ Explanation of the new computer-generated Liturgical Ministry Schedule by Mari Pavleje
- A preliminary discussion of the need for a change of Sunday mass times in order to support our parish commitment to whole community catechesis

As mentioned above, there is a need for a change of our Sunday morning mass schedule. Currently, we do not have enough time between our two Sunday masses to accommodate our catechesis process for children and adults. We need to schedule more time between the two masses. As it is now, catechesis for both children and parents begins at 8:45AM and often ends after 10:00AM. This makes it difficult for families to attend either of our Sunday liturgies and also does not make it possible for either Father Hugh, Father Norm, or I to participate in the catechetical sessions. Assuming mass takes about an hour, we need a minimum of 90 minutes (an hour and a half) from the end of one mass to the beginning of the next, to adequately satisfy our catechetical needs. (Another way of considering this is that there needs to be two and a half hours between the start of each mass. Currently, we have only two hours between the start of each mass.)

It is important to note that, over four years ago, our parish made a commitment to lifelong faith formation through **whole-community catechesis**. That means that the entire faith community is involved in catechesis, not just those who volunteer to be catechists for groups of children, youth, or adults. While this emphasis is a change from the days of "CCD classes" and "memorizing the catechism," it is one that has the potential to enliven, deepen, and expand our faith community. But it is not an easy change...shifting from classes held apart from the Sunday Eucharist and from the whole community to faith formation involving the entire community and centered on the weekly celebration of Eucharist.

I emphasized at the Annual Meeting that our challenge here at St. Therese is to view ourselves as one community, not three communities who gather at 5:00PM Saturday, 8:00AM Sunday, and 10:00AM Sunday. No matter what mass time you prefer, you are part of one community that is St. Therese Parish.

I am also poignantly aware that any change, and particularly a change of mass times, can bring out tensions and anxieties. Some decide to leave parishes based on change. But it is also true that others join or become active because of change. It is important to remember that, throughout our short 54-year history as a parish here on Bluemound Rd, there have been changes, and we came through these with God's grace.

The Parish Council will meet with the Christian Formation Committee on Monday, May 17th at 6:30PM to discuss our catechetical needs and how to best achieve that two and a half hour time between the start of our two Sunday masses. If you have any input whatsoever on this issue, please submit it in writing to any member of the Parish Council (names and email address in this bulletin). The Council hopes to make a recommendation on mass schedule times by June 30th.

Let us continue to pray for our parish and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit on our lives together. Come Holy Spirit!

Peace to you,

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

#### Flower & Candle Donations for the Easter Season

Please consider donating for Easter flowers and candles for the seven weeks of the Easter Season 2010. Remember a loved one who has died, a special intention for the living, or a special occasion by your donation. Please enclose your donation with the form on the right. PLEASE PRINT.

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## May 16th, 2010 . Ascension of the Lord



#### Sunday, May 16th

8:45AM Sunday School (ALL) 5:30PM Teen Session (MC)

#### Monday, May 17th

6:00PM St. Vincent dePaul Society (MC) 6:30PM Christian Formation (HH)

6:30PM Library Committee (LIB)

#### Tuesday, May 18th

6:45PM Finance/Administration (MC)

7:00PM Green Team (HH)

#### Wednesday, May 19th

7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)

7:30PM Praise Band (CH)

#### Thursday, May 20th

8:30AM-6:30PM Prayer Day (CHP)

5:30PM Living as God's People (HH)

#### Friday, May 21st

No Meetings Scheduled

#### Saturday, May 22nd

No Meetings Scheduled

#### Sunday, May 23rd

9:10AM St. Therese Choir (CH)

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

#### GoodSearch for St. Therese Parish!

For three days only this week, GoodSearch will donate \$1 for every toolbar that's downloaded for St. Therese Parish. See the News & Events page of our website for all the details and instructions for how you can help!

#### Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Everyone and everything needs a purpose. If you have something that has lost purpose for you, consider giving it away. Next Saturday, May 22nd, from 9:30–11:00AM, the Green Team is hosting an event in the parking lot to allow you to reduce your clutter, get your old belongings reused by your neighbors, or cycled into the wider community. At the end of the event, the St. Vincent de Paul truck will be here and will accept items left that fit their guidelines.

## Question of the Week:

Do you believe that God loves you just as much as He loves His Son, Jesus?

#### This Weekend is Sharing Weekend

The recipient of this month's Sharing is Greater Tosa Interfaith. Greater Tosa Interfaith is a grassroots, neighborhood-based outreach ministry providing informal services to neighbors who are aged 60 and older living in Wauwatosa and the western metropolitan Milwaukee area. St. Therese is one of 20 churches that support the program. They assist our older friends to medical appointments, the bank, or grocery store. They also help with minor chores and home repairs. In addition, friendly visitors can spend time with shut-ins. Almost everything they do, they do with volunteers. The wonderful volunteers are the heart and soul of Greater Tosa Interfaith. They believe strongly in our mission and want their older friends to know they are still valued and cherished members of our community.

#### Congratulations and Thank You

- ◆ Congratulations to Kathy Hubrich, who was elected Trustee-Secretary at the Annual Meeting on May 2nd. She was officially affirmed by Archbishop Listecki, and will begin her two-year term of office on July 1st.
- ◆ Thank you to Mari Pavleje, who has served as our Trustee-Secretary for the past five years. Mari's term of office ends on June 30th. Mari has made several valuable contributions to our parish while serving as Trustee-Secretary. Among these were organizing the collection counters; serving on the Personnel, Finance/Administration Committee, and Parish Council; and assisting with the accounting reports for our FIOF Capital Campaign.

#### **Bundle Weekend**

Next weekend (May 22nd/23rd) is St. Vincent dePaul Bundle Weekend. Your generous contributions will be greatly appreciated. Your donations will be accepted on Saturday from 8:00AM-6:00PM and on Sunday from 8:00AM-1:00PM. Thank you.

## Does Your Committee Hold Regular Meetings?

Then please submit your schedule to Courtney Falk as soon as possible. Dates for next year are filling up fast, so the sooner you get your requests in, the more likely you will get your first choice. Please remember that even if you have a key to let your meeting in, if it is not scheduled through Courtney in the Parish Office, due to our liability and insurance, you may not hold a meeting. Also, if meetings are not scheduled at least a week in advance, they will not be published in this weekly bulletin. Please submit all requests for the 2010-2011 year in writing via email, or the "To Staff" mailbox in the sacristy by June 8th. Please include specific dates (not "third Thursday of every other month" etc), start time, and room preference. If you do not have a preferred room, please include the approximate number of people that attend your meeting so that an appropriate space can be assigned. Thank you for your cooperation and attention to this important matter.

## St. Therese Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign Update

As of April 27th, our parish has received a total of \$50,185.26 from the FIOF Trust Fund for our parish projects. The last transfer we received (on April 27th) was for \$1512. With this money, we have been able to update our heating system, make needed repairs to our heating system, purchase and install a new water heater, install a new threshold on the Bell Tower door, complete the indoor ramp in church, and tithe to our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society and Greater Tosa Interfaith. In addition, the Finance/Administration Committee approved the disbursement of \$250 of FIOF funds to support the archdiocesan youth mission trip to Nicaragua. Sahar Safavi, of our parish community, will be participating in that mission trip. Thanks to all who continue to support our parish capital campaign, Faith In our Future. Our next effort is to save for our lighting update in church and throughout our building.

## May 16th, 2010 Ascension of the Lord

# Intentions & Readings for the Week

#### May Sanctuary Candle

Janet Bjork and Gabe Ehrmann

#### Monday

Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33

#### **Tuesday Mass**

Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a

8:00AM †Lydia Infante

#### Wednesday

Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19

#### Saturday Mass

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25

5:00PM †Louis & †Rosie Wild

#### Sunday Masses

Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

8:00AM †Abby Bunzel

10:00AM St. Therese Parish Community and

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Ed Baganz, Bela Bartha, Gerry Bartz, Lenore Black, William Bohnaker, Gene Brah, Anna Daevel, Tim Dondlinger, Alberta Duckhorn, Tom Fera, Andrew & Maria Grosch, Pauline Gutmann, Andy Islo, Garnet Jankowski, Ken Knollenberg, Tom Kreuter, Ann Lackovic, Sarah Luck, Charlotte Meeks, Chris Melloch, Lori Mikula, Laverne Mucci, Michelle Muschelewicz, Tom Nyman, Sherry Regan, Gerry Roberts, Sylvia Schaffer, Gladys Shafer, Carlene Siever, Joel Simpson, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mary Stoke, Bill Stueckroth, Robert John Swiderski, Jim Swiecichowski, Topel Family, Dan Van Eyck, Harold Vanden Heuvel, Merle Weber Born to Eternal Life: †Lucille Bakos

#### SVdP Gold Outing

This Milwaukee St Vincent dePaul Society is hosting a North Central Region Golf Outing Fundraiser on June 3rd at Western Lakes Golf Club in Pewaukee. The cost is \$85 per person for the golf package (4player scramble; collar shirts and soft spikes required), or \$15 per person for lunch only. Registration begins at 7:00AM, with a 7:30AM shotgun tee time start. Please register by May 22nd. Call Dick Lemke at (414) 475-7734 to request a registration form or contact Steve Keshen at (262) 560-0735 to RSVP.

#### Lawn Care Enthusiasts Wanted!

We are looking for volunteers to mow the grass on the St. Therese property and the lawn at the Parish house. We'd like to get enough people so that the commitment would be about once a month. Duties include using the riding lawn mower, the push mower and weed trimmer. Volunteers must be 21 years old. Training will be provided. If you are interested in helping, please contact Dan Goeden at (414) 430-7322 or danielgoeden@att.net.

#### Catechists & Small Group Leaders Needed

The Sunday school program for children in grades 1-5 is in need of catechists and other helpers. Catechists can work individually or with a partner. In addition to the catechists, we are looking for people who are willing to work with the children individually on their prayers. There will be 18 classes next year running from September through April.

The middle school and high school youth meet on Sunday evenings in community. We are in need of people who are willing to help lead discussion and share their faith with our youth. The sessions begin with dinner at 5:30PM and last until 8:00PM. There will be 10 Teen sessions next year running from September through April. If you are interested in helping pass on our faith please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.

#### Bats in the Belfry

Spring is upon us and with that comes the occasional bat in the Church. Here are some guidelines to follow if you come upon a bat:

- ◆ If you see a bat, leave it where it is. If it is in an office or a meeting room, it is better to move the meeting than the bat. They use sonar, so they do not respond to an open door because their eyesight is too poor to recognize it as a way out. Lock it in the room if you can, hang a sign on the door to alert others not to enter, and contact the maintenance department immediately. If no one from maintenance is in the building, please have any staff member contact them immediately. Do not simply leave a note, as swift removal is essential for both us and them.
- ◆ **Do not attempt to catch or kill.** Bats are not aggressive, but will bite if handled.
- ◆ **Do not panic**—it will make them more excited. Most collisions happen because we move into their path as they are trying to avoid us.
- ◆ If you see one on the ground it is most likely ill. **Do not go near it.** So, again, if you see a bat in the building, call the maintenance department immediately. We have the proper equipment and procedures to deal with them. The goal is to catch and release quickly and safely.

## Looking for Someone with Finish Carpentry Skills

We are currently looking for someone with Finish Carpentry Skills to help build shelves/storage for the Art and Environment Room. If you have the skills and are willing to donate your time, please contact Denise in the Parish Office.

## Archdiocesan Mass to celebrate FIOF Capital Campaign

Parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will celebrate the success of the Faith In Our Future Campaign at all masses the weekend of May 22nd/23rd. A special archdiocesan Mass and reception will take place at 2:00PM, Sunday, May 23rd, at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Watch for updates on www.archmil.org

## May 16th, 2010 . Ascension of the Lord

#### Christian Formation Committee to Host Parish Council

On Monday, May 17th the Christian Formation Committee will host members of the Parish Council to discuss the life of Catechetics and Faith Formation at St. Therese. The meeting will look at where St. Therese has been and set a course for the future of Lifelong Faith Formation.

St. Therese is a community committed to Whole Parish Catechesis. The catechetical curriculum at St. Therese is an attempt to follow the directives given to the Church following the Second Vatican Council. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) we are told, "Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church's life." Catechesis or religious instruction is multifaceted. These facets include liturgy, moral instruction, prayer, education for community life, understanding ecumenical and interfaith dialogues, and most importantly, a true, deep conversion and transformation to Jesus.

All catechesis needs to be tightly connected to the Sunday assembly for Mass. When we spend time as community hearing the Word and sharing ourselves with one another we are more open to conversion. As individuals when we share we are more aware of Christ present in our lives and touching us more deeply.

Faith formation needs to be lifelong in nature because the facets of catechesis are changed as we gain life experience and wisdom. By working on our understandings we will grow closer to Christ and our brothers and sisters in faith. When we work on our faith we also have the ability to be a witness to Christ for those around us.

#### Faith In Our Future Online Resources & Celebration Weekend Video

Learn more about the Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign by accessing the webiste for parish resources at http://www.archmil.org/ArchMil/FIOFcelebration.htm. Also, the Faith In Our Future Campaign Celebration Weekend DVD is available in the parish office. This is Archbishop Jerome Listecki's message to parishioners sent to all parishes of the archdiocese.

### Living as God's People for 2010/2011 Catechetical Year

In the next Living as God's People cycle we will spend the year looking at Matthew 25:31-46 and the challenge given to use to live out this Gospel passage. These 15 verses of the Bible will lead us to look at our own lives. How are we being the hands and feet of Jesus today? Because we are St. Therese, living our lives ministering in the "Little Way", we will acknowledge and celebrate the wonderful things we are already currently doing but we will also be invited to new opportunities to serve others. Registration forms will be available on the Catechesis Table in the back of church beginning May 16th. If you have any questions please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.

#### Catechetics for 2010/2011

Planning is nearly completed for the 2010/2011 catechetical year. We will continue with the same text book series for grades 1-5, which we used this past year, called "Call to Faith." This series offers an online component which is useful for the catechists but can also be used by the entire community for ongoing faith formation. The classes for grades 1-5, as well as the middle school and high school program, will run from September through April. Registration forms will be given out to those students already in formation on May 16th during their last class for this year. The registration forms will also be available on the Catechesis Table in the back of church that same weekend. Please remember these classes are meant to supplement our Whole Parish Catechetical program; they do not replace them. Registration forms for grades 1-5 and the middle school/high school program are due June 1st. If you have any questions please contact Cathy in the Parish Office.

## Next Weekend is the Solemnity of Pentecost—Wear Red

Next weekend, May 22nd/23rd concludes the Easter Season with the celebration of Pentecost, the commemoration of the gift of the Holy Spirit on all humankind and creation. Wear red, the color of the Holy Spirit, who showers us with the seven gifts (wisdom, understanding, right judgment, courage, knowledge, reverence, and awe in God's presence) and the twelve fruits (charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity).

#### Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM council@sainttheresemilwaukee.org

#### Chairperson

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#### **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 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.