



Saint Theresia Parish

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We are St. Theresia Catholic Church, a community of believers, who walk together by faith in Christ Jesus, and minister in the Little Way of St. Theresia, as we strive hand-in-hand to live as God's people.

September 19th, 2010

Parish Staff

Parish Director

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Rev. Norm Oswald

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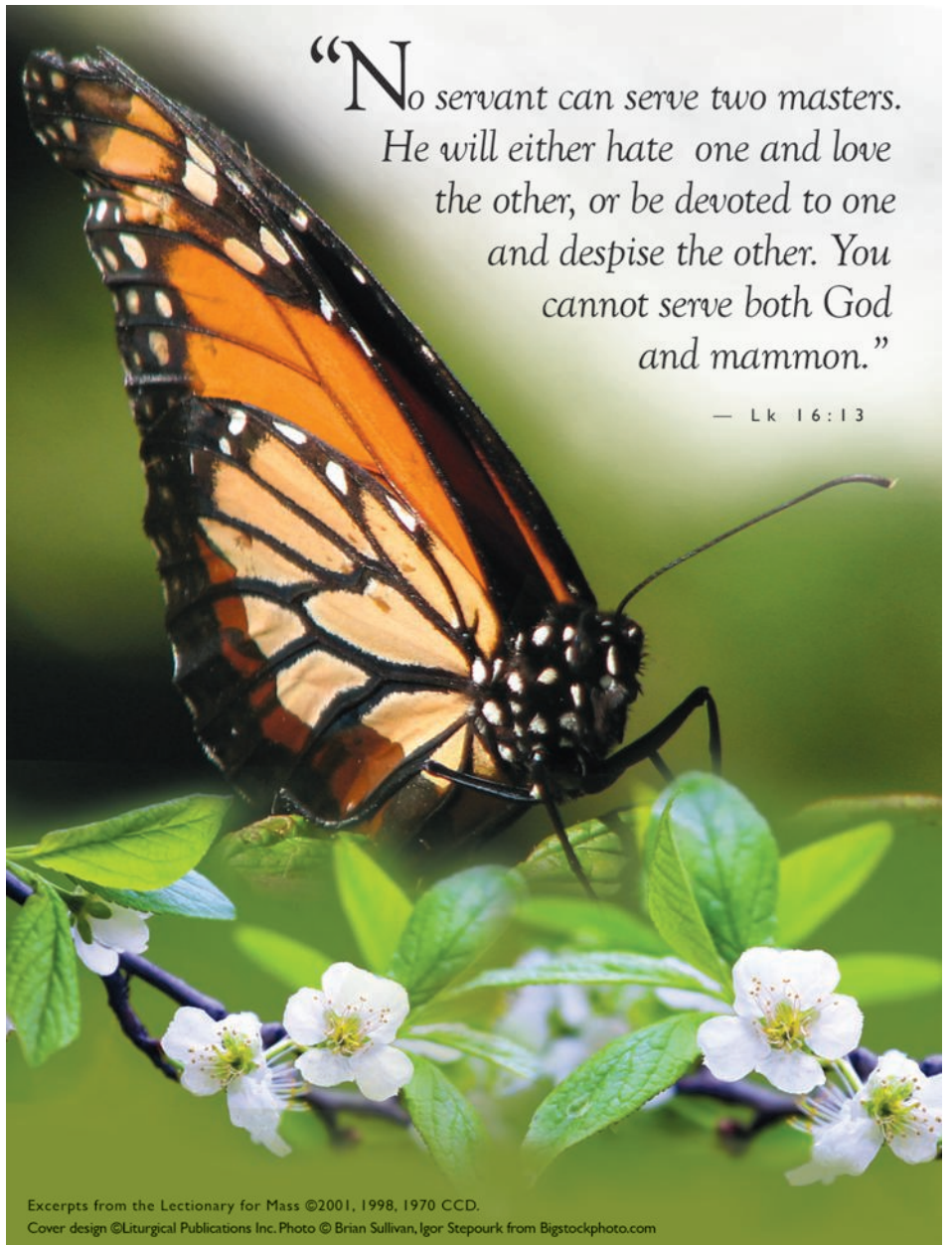
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Ministers

All the Members of the Parish

Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 — listen for instructions



“No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon.”

— Lk 16:13

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM
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

◆ Thanks to Dave Drozdowicz of our Finance/Administration Committee for presenting the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year Financial Report to the parish last weekend. It was also inserted in last week's bulletin. Copies of the report are available in the Parish Office.

No doubt, there are several ways to present financial reports and many ways to interpret them. We follow the accounting procedures of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, and we use the software program called "Parish Data System." Several parishes in our archdiocese use this program as well. Some dioceses mandate that all parishes use the same financial software program. To date, our archdiocese does not require that.

We published the same numbers that our elected trustees, Jim Balliet and Kathy Hubrich, as well as our Finance/Administration Committee reviewed at our meetings. Each month the trustees and Finance/Administration Committee carefully review all income and expenditures. Some expenses are fixed—assessments, benefits, utilities, and others. Other expenses are not and can be reviewed and reduced throughout the year. Still other expenses increase due to market forces or the increase in the cost of goods and services.

One trustee, along with me, signs each check that is issued from our parish operating checking account. Our Bookkeeper, Lisa Vallone, prepares documentation for every check, including the account number from the department budget. The trustees and I review each check with accompanying documentation before signing it. After signing, we give the checks and bills to Courtney Falk, our Administrative Assistant, for mailing. I usually distribute the payroll checks; occasionally a trustee does in my absence. We are in full compliance with all the guidelines and directives issued by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Recently, our Bookkeeper, Lisa Vallone, met with Jay Frymark of the Office for Parish Finance at the Archdiocese. Mr. Frymark reviewed our Faith In Our Future Trust Fund account and explained the procedures for the yearly accounting of that account. It is important to remember that our Faith In Our Future

Account is a restricted fund and can be used only for the projects we articulated in our Case Statement. We do not use any of the Faith In Our Future money for operating expenses; rather we use the money for the purpose of the fund. Thanks to Lisa Vallone for taking the time to assure that our bookkeeping is in complete compliance with archdiocesan regulations.

In the area of church finance and administration, it's fair to say emphatically, "Things have changed!" Internal control procedures, full disclosure, and transparency are the order of the day. Our elected trustees, the Archbishop, the Vicar General, and I are the corporate board for St. Therese Parish.

◆ Please pay close attention to the "note" on our financial statement for 2009-2010. Due to the capitalization of some of our expenses (these purchases became assets), we showed a \$12,831.73 positive for the fiscal year. However, we had to transfer \$24,000 from our Parish Reserves in order to pay our expenses. The end result was a reduction in our reserves of \$24,000.

The trustees and I, as fiscal officers of the parish, as well as the Finance/Administration Committee and Parish Council, are committed to protecting and replenishing our parish reserves so that we can achieve the 6-9 month operating expenses in reserve. We need approximately \$90,000 more in reserve to accomplish that.

That is why we made the decision not to replace the .5 FTE ChristCare position and the .4 FTE Catechetical Support position. Further, we decided to delay hiring a professional minister in our catechetics ministry. Those financial cuts in the area of our paid staff amounted to over \$33,000 for the first six months of Fiscal 2010-2011.

We have cut as many expenses as we possibly could. Now it is time to rebuild and go forward. Our 2010-2011 Parish Support Stewardship Effort has begun. October is Stewardship Month here at St. Therese. Our theme is from Psalm 166:12: "How can I repay the Lord for all the good God has done for me?"

And God has certainly been good to us...all the time!

In God's unfailing love and generosity,

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

Banns of Matrimony

Carlo Giombi and Rebecca Goossen will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage on September 23rd.

Please remember this couple in your prayers.



Congratulations!

Katelyn Kluz and Stephen Pundsack celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on September 18th.



Please Welcome These New Members!

- ◆ Mary Foley
- ◆ Richard Hopefl



CHURCH SUPPORT
Envelopes & Offertory \$6744.06
Please remember St. Therese in your will!



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, September 19th

No Meetings Scheduled

Monday, September 20th

No Meetings Scheduled

Tuesday, September 21st

6:45PM Finance/Administration (MC)

7:00PM Green Team (HH)

Wednesday, September 22nd

5:00PM Giombi/Goossen Rehearsal (CHP)

7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)

7:30PM Praise Band (CH)

Thursday, September 23rd

5:00PM Giombi/Goossen Wedding (CHP)

Friday, September 24th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, September 25th

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, September 26th

9:45AM St. Therese Choir (CH)

11:30AM Prayer & Worship Committee (MC)

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

Tuesday Bible Study

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study Group will resume their discussion of the relationship of the Mass, scripture, and social justice, starting on September 28th. The group gathers after the 8:00AM mass on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. For further information, please call Sr Ann Christine Pendleton at (414) 453-5049.

Mission Sunday

Our Mission Sunday recipient for 2010 is Hearts with Haiti (HWH), the umbrella for St. Joseph's Home, Wings of Hope, and Trinity House. These homes become family for abandoned children in Haiti. Two of the homes were completely destroyed in the Earthquake last January. Michael Geilenfeld, the director, states there is an urgency to rebuild. The boys, who have lost their home before coming to St. Joseph's, now have lost the sense of family they found here.

The HWH message is Resurrection—the children rise from their life on the streets to a feeling of worth through Christ's love. Now, the structure itself must rise from the rubble to a new resurrected facility! They have a strong sense that God will provide. You can find out more at www.heartswithhaiti.org. Please be generous.

Donations Needed

- ♦ For missalettes for the chapel—envelopes in the chapel
- ♦ \$99 for the new sink for the kitchenette in the Bluemound Area of church
- ♦ For the Craft Fair: (Please, no more ketchup or mustard!)
 - ♦ Single serving bags of chips, and large bags of nacho chips
 - ♦ Bottled water (any brand approximately 18 oz each)
 - ♦ Cans of soda (in these flavors only please!): diet and regular Pepsi, diet and regular Coke, Mountain Dew, 7-Up
 - ♦ Baked goods: We obviously don't want these until just a few days before the event, but if you would like to commit to baking something, please call or email Courtney in the Parish Office.
 - ♦ Homemade craft items for our St. Therese Booth—If you're crafty, but don't want to rent a whole booth, please consider donating some items for us to sell or raffle.
 - ♦ Monetary donations for our advertising costs—any amount helps!



Lawn Care Crew

Thank you to all those who have given their time as members of our lawn care crew, and those who are not members, but volunteer anyway. By cutting our lawn ourselves we have been able to cut over \$2000 of lawn care costs this season. We are still looking for lawn crew members. We are a long way from being a fully-staffed crew. Can you commit three hours one Saturday a month? If so, consider joining the crew. With only a few months left before the snow flies, we would like to train people on the rider for next season in addition to the regular mower and propane trimmer. Please contact Denise in the Parish Office to get started.

Prayer List for Mass—Add/Remove a Name

Need to remove or add a name to the Prayer List? Please kindly send an email or call Courtney Falk, Administrative Assistant in the Parish Office. You can always leave a message after office hours, too. Also, you can add a name to the Prayer List online through our website: sainttheresemilwaukee.org/prayerlist **Please kindly follow this process so that we can ensure that your requests are honored and prayer is offered.**

Evening to Remember

We are planning an Evening to Remember all of the members of our parish who have gone to eternal life this year. A special mass and celebration of the light they brought to our lives will be held on Tuesday, November 2nd at 7:00PM. If you have lost a loved one this year, and would like to join us in prayer for them that evening, please cut out and complete the form below and give it to Elterine Jankowski-Biggers after any mass by October 10th or send the information via email to Ann Maher at jmaher2@wi.rr.com or Christine Jensen at cjensen729@yahoo.com, and you will be contacted with more information. A photo of your loved one would be much appreciated. Thank you.

I'd like to participate in an Evening to Remember

Name _____ Phone () _____

Please pray for _____ Relation _____

Please return to Elterine (after mass), Ann (jmaher2@wi.rr.com), or Christine (cjensen729@yahoo.com) by October 10th.

Intentions & Readings for the Week



September Sanctuary Candle

†Peter Lemanski

Monday

Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday Mass

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13

8:00AM Robin Therese

Wednesday

Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Ecc 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9*

Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Ecc 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22*

Saturday Mass

Ecc 11:9-12:8/Lk 9:43b-45

5:00PM †Tony Sincere

Sunday Masses

Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

8:00AM St. Therese Parish Community and

†Ruth & †Fred Retzlaff

10:30AM †Frida Bippus

To Schedule an Event or Meeting

All groups and committees are reminded to please contact Courtney Falk, Administrative Assistant, in the Parish Office, to schedule meetings and events. Since space is at a premium, we need this information to ensure that rooms are available and that there are no conflicts. Please remember to communicate your meeting schedule by calling or emailing Courtney so that these meetings are listed on our parish calendar. Thanks for your consideration and cooperation.

Thanks to Alice Kennedy, the Steam Tunnels Located!

Thank you to Alice Kennedy who provided us with the clarification and information regarding the steam tunnels that were believed to be on our property. According to Milwaukee County Records, **the steam tunnels are not on our property**; they are on the zoo property. Therefore, these do not a concern as we consider the proposed Tree Project for our green space.

Save Those Labels!

Campbell's Labels for Education, Boxtops for Education, and milk caps are still being collected for the neighboring Catholic schools. Also, the hotel soaps, shampoos, etc are still being passed on to local shelters. They appreciate all very much. These items should be addressed to Sr Ann Christine and placed in the plastic crate outside the Chapel. Please do not bring them to the Parish Office. Thank you!

Parish Fundraising Number—Pick 'N' Save Purchases

Here's an easy way to help St. Therese Parish. Sign up for the "We Care" program at Pick 'N' Save and give them our account number, #814700. Pick 'N' Save gives a percentage of all its profits to nonprofits, and our parish is one of these. Thanks to all who are participating in this program. Each year our parish receives approximately \$300 from this organization. The more participants, the more our parish will receive.

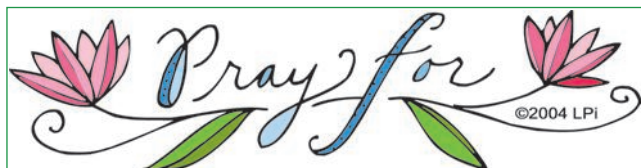
SvDP Meal Program Needs Canned Corn Donations

The St. Vincent dePaul Meal Program is in need of more canned corn. Please bring cans of whole kernel corn to mass and put them on the labeled table near the sacristy for the St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program **until October 3rd**. Please do not bring the donations to the Parish Office, and please no creamed corn. Any size can, any brand! Thank you!



Mt. Mary College Hosts "Car Fit" for Older Adults Free 20-minute Check-up Improves Driving and Vehicle Safety

Mount Mary College, in conjunction with Emmanuel Community United Methodist Church will host "Car Fit," a free educational program for older adults who are still driving, on Saturday, September 25th from 1:00PM to 4:30PM. The event will take place at the church which is located at N84 W16707 Menomonee Ave in Menomonee Falls. A team of trained volunteers will be on hand to walk drivers through a 12-point checklist on driving and vehicle safety. Occupational therapists will also be available to demonstrate helpful devices such as wedge cushions, seat belt extenders, gas cap wrenches, and items that can assist with safely entering and exiting vehicles. Space is limited. Contact Pastor Claudia Deede at (262) 251-3830 to register or for more information. For more information on Car Fit, visit www.car-fit.org.



Daniel Babl, Bela Bartha, Lenore Black, Gene Brah, Tim Dondlinger, Ben Durbkan, Amy Frank, Andrew & Maria Grosch, Pauline Gutmann, Wally Hesselbein, Andy Iso, Garnet Jankowski, Bill Klapper, Ken Knollenberg, Sandy Krueger, Ann Lackovic, Hildegard Lang, Kay Lovering, Sarah Luck, Imogene McShane, Chris Melloch, Lori Mikula, Laverne Mucci, Michelle Muschelewicz, Tom Nyman, Melvin Pundsack, Gerry Roberts, Theresa Roman, Tom Scardina, Sylvia Schaffer, Margaret Schmitt, Gladys Shafer, Carlene Siever, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mary Stoke, Robert John Swiderski, Jim Swiecichowski, Dan Van Eyck, Harold Vanden Heuvel, Merle Weber, Shirley Wiedmeyer
Born to Eternal Life: †Charles Christopher Billings

Volunteer Tutors Needed

Literacy Service of Wisconsin (LSW) is in need of volunteers to join forces that provide Adult Basic Education (reading and spelling), English as a Second Language (ESL), and GED preparation. Closing the gap between literacy and poverty is the responsibility of all of us. Please volunteer to tutor (training will be provided) or consider a donation for teaching materials. Contact Literacy Services at (414) 344-5878 or online at www.literacyservices.org

Your Response Is Needed!

Due Date for Questions for Finance/Administration Committee on 2009-2010 Fiscal Year Report

If you have any questions regarding the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year Financial Report that we inserted in last week's bulletin (September 12th), please submit them in writing to the Finance/Administration Committee in one of the following ways: mail or email your questions to the parish, marked "for the Finance/Administration Committee." All submissions must be signed. Questions submitted anonymously will be eliminated. If you wish to speak with a Finance/Administration Committee member, please see the list of members listed on the report. Copies of the report are available in the Parish Office.

Elizabeth Ministry Coordinator(s) Needed

We would like to start an Elizabeth Ministry here at St. Therese. "Elizabeth Ministry is an international movement designed to offer hope and healing for women and their families on issues related to sexuality, childbearing, and relationships."

Elizabeth ministers celebrate the gift of each child, conceived and born, and assist the mourning process of those who have experienced miscarriage, abortion, stillbirth and infant or child death.

Some of the ministries of Elizabeth Ministers would be welcoming new babies to our parish community by displaying a white rose at mass and including the name of the newborn in our general intercessions, serving as "peer resources" to women who are pregnant or have become mothers for the first time; and being a "listening ear" to mothers in need of friendly support as they deal with the challenges of child-rearing.

In order to begin the Elizabeth Ministry, we need a coordinator or coordinators. Does this ministry interest you? If so, please contact Dr Guliano in the Parish Office.

Parish Representative Needed for Association of Pastoral Ministers on Aging

Our archdiocese sponsors an excellent organization of representatives from parishes called the Association of Pastoral Ministers on Aging. The group, which consists of both professional and volunteer parish ministers meets 3-4 times per year. The next meeting will be on Monday, September 20th from 12:00 noon-2:00PM (please bring your bag lunch!) at Henni Hall of St. Francis Seminary. Our parish needs a representative. If you are interested in serving, please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

Third Annual Ministry Fair

Following each mass on the weekend of October 9th/10th, you are invited down to Heck Hall to learn more about all the great things going on at St. Therese. You will be welcomed by friendly folks and homemade goodies, and have the opportunity to talk with active members of the Parish and learn where you will best fit in.

Committee, group, and ministry leaders: please sign up for table space and let us know if there is anything particular that you might need. The deadline to register is October 3rd. Questions can be addressed to Alice Kennedy at (414) 771-8147 or lal_kennedy@sbcglobal.net

Ministry Fair Reservation Form

Group Name _____

Contact Person _____ Phone () _____

Email _____

We need: 1/2 Table Full Table # of chairs _____

Please return this slip to Human Concerns by **OCTOBER 3RD.**

Parish Council

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

Chairperson

Janet Krebs (414) 774-9113

Vice-Chairperson

Pat Hall (414) 607-9396

Secretary

Heather Goeden (414) 313-6397

Trustees

Jim Balliet (414) 257-0339

Kathy Hubrich (414) 259-1961

Fran Clark (414) 476-7427

David Drozdowicz (262) 938-6756

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John Gritzmacher (414) 453-5265

Jim Holmes (414) 258-9195

Rich Sanger (414) 425-2028

Pat Touchett (414) 257-0221

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

Prayer List for Mass

It is our privilege to pray at our weekend masses for those in need. If you would like to add a name to the list, please complete the form at sainttheresemilwaukee.org/prayerlist or call Courtney in the Parish Office.

Need Prayer?

Call the Prayer Network at
(414) 607-0681.

Bulletin deadline:

Monday, 8:30AM

Announcement deadline:

Thursday, 12:00 NOON

All submissions must be in writing; email preferred.