



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.

March 6th, 2011

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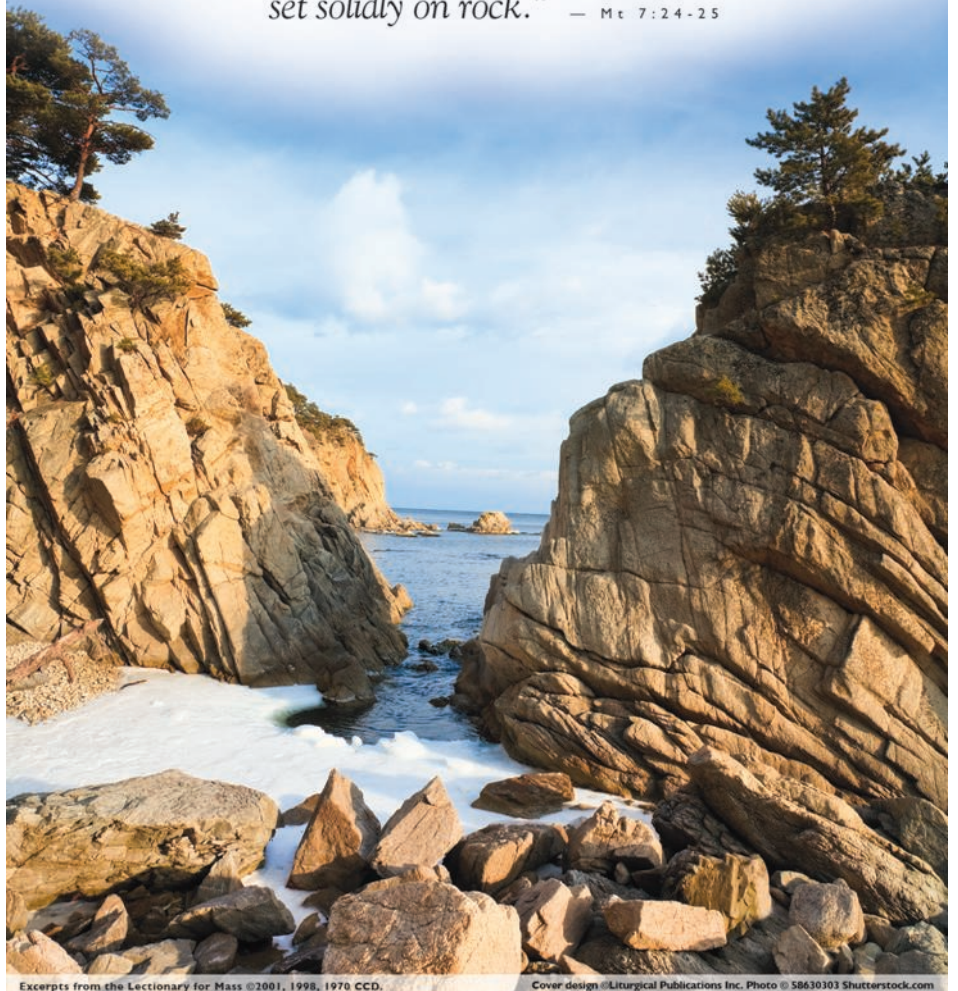
Ministers

All the Members of the Parish

Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 — listen for instructions

“Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock.” — Mt 7:24-25



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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

◆ Catholic Social Teaching has been coined “the best kept secret in the Catholic Church.” To mark these principles are “seven pillars” listed below. Thanks to the Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center in Seattle, WA for the following summary:

- ◆ **Life and dignity of the human person** Every person is created in the image and likeness of God. Every human life is sacred from conception to natural death.
- ◆ **Care for God’s creation** In our use of creation, we must be guided by a concern for generations to come. We show respect for our Creator by caring for creation.
- ◆ **Option for the poor and vulnerable** Jesus, who identified himself with “the least of these,” came to preach “Good News to the poor...and to set the downtrodden free.” The Church calls us to the preferential option for the poor.
- ◆ **Solidarity** We are *all* responsible for *all*. We are to be committed to the pursuit of justice and peace for all.
- ◆ **Call to family, community, and participation** Every person has the right to participate... and a corresponding duty to work for the advancement of the common good.
- ◆ **Dignity of work and the rights of workers** The economy must serve the people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living. It is a form of continuing participation in God’s act of creation.
- ◆ **Rights and responsibilities** Every person has a right to the conditions for living a decent life—faith and family, food and shelter, education and employment, healthcare and housing.

Over the past several weeks, several church leaders, including Archbishop Listecki, have referred to Catholic Social Teaching in their public discourse. Yet, how we live out these principles and values is often a subject of disagreement, even within our church. In any case, as we struggle with living out these teachings and values in our daily life, we are called to civility, respect for the other, dialogue, listening, and compassion. Above all, as followers of Jesus, we are to seek first His Kingdom. Let us continue to pray, “Thy Kingdom come; Thy Will be done” in all our affairs.

- ◆ Lent begins this week as we celebrate Ash Wednesday on March 9th. Thanks to Jeff Roemer and Co. for coordinating our parish Mardi Gras celebration this Sunday. May the upcoming 40 Days of Lent bring us all closer to Christ and to each other as a faith community.

God be with you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

All Committees/Groups: Please Note

Reserve Meeting Rooms Space

The parish has the following meeting/gathering rooms: Heck Hall (room dividers are available to define a smaller area), The Good News Gathering Place (second floor of the Parish Office), Raphael’s Room (second floor of the Parish Office), and Miriam’s Corner. During office hours, the St. Therese Room is also available. These rooms are available on a first-come, first serve basis with two exceptions—on the first Monday of the month, the Parish Council meets in Miriam’s Corner and on the third Tuesday of the month, the Finance/Administration Committee meets in Miriam’s Corner. **This leaves several evenings when our most popular and requested meeting space, Miriam’s Corner, is free.** Meetings are generally not permitted in the Lobby/Library, except for the Library Committee that does “library work” during their meetings. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility. We are blessed to have such an active parish community!

Parish Forms

Reimbursements, Special Events, Prayer List, Maintenance Requests, Etc.

Need a form for fundraising, special event, maintenance request, set-up, prayer list, etc. All parish forms are available for your convenience in the sacristy on the bulletin board next to the Eucharistic cabinet. Extra forms are also in the binder next to the committee mailboxes on the bookshelf in the sacristy. Most forms are also available on our website, many of which you can fill out right online. The rest are available for download and printing.

Donations Needed

- ◆ Mass Intention Book for 2011: \$20
- ◆ Palms for Palm Sunday: \$125
- ◆ 4 youth Altar Server albs: \$40 each
- ◆ New Water Fountain in Church: The water fountain in the church needs to be replaced. We still need \$500 to cover the cost of the fountain itself and installation. You may note that a few years ago we had to replace the water fountain in the Lobby. Any donations to help defray the cost of this item would be much appreciated.

Thank you for considering donating toward the purchase of these items in honor of or in memory of someone or as a special donation.

Infant Baptism Prep Team Forming

The first sacrament of initiation is Baptism. Catechists are needed to help prepare parents for the celebrating this Sacrament. Do you enjoy sharing your faith, welcoming our tiniest members into our parish community, and celebrating the new life of infant birth and the formation of young children? Please consider ministering on the Baptism Preparation Team. Please contact Dr. Guliano if you are interested.

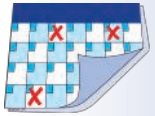


Thank you for your generosity

CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory	\$4869.52
Snow Plowing Donations	\$ 295.00

Please remember St. Therese in your will!



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, March 6th

- 7:30AM Canticle Choir (CH)
- 9:10AM Christian Formation (MC)
- 9:45AM St. Therese Choir (CH)
- 10:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 11:30AM Mardi Gras Party (HH)

Monday, March 7th

- 3:45PM Catechesis – age 3-K (GLP)
- 7:00PM Parish Council (MC)

Tuesday, March 8th

- 8:30AM Bible Study Group (STR)
- 3:30PM Canticle Choir (MC)
- 3:45PM Catechesis – grades 1-3 (GLP)

Wednesday, March 9th

- 8:00AM Mass with Distribution of Ashes (CH)
- 7:00PM Mass with Distribution of Ashes (CH)
- 8:00PM RCIA (MC)

Thursday, March 10th

- 11:30AM 55+ Social Club (HH)

Friday, March 11th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, March 12th

- 5:00PM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)

Sunday, March 13th

- 9:00AM Usher's Pancake Breakfast (HH)
- 9:45AM St. Therese Choir (CH)
- 10:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (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

55+ Social Club

All 55+ parishioners are welcome to come to our 55+ Club on Thursday, March 10th, at 11:30AM. Our program is "Protecting yourself from Frauds and Scams" sponsored by San Camillo. Menu: Sub sandwich lunch complimentary for those who have paid the \$10 dues for 2011. To make a reservation, please call Gladys at (414) 476-1356, Judy at (414) 475-6809, or Pat at (414) 771-4194. Deadline is Monday morning, March 7th.

Snow Plowing Donation Envelopes

To date, our snow plowing expenses have been over \$9,000, and we still have more winter weather ahead of us. The recent large amount of snow and ice has necessitated an increase in snow-plowing expenses. Special snow-plowing donations envelopes are in the pews for your use. A donation of any amount will help defray the cost of keeping our grounds safe. Thank you for your generosity and care for our parish.

2011 St. Joseph Sunday Missals Available

2011 St. Joseph Sunday Missals are available on the tables at the entrances of the church. We usually purchase these, discounted, a few months into the new liturgical year. This year the price for each was \$2.49. If you would like to donate for a copy, please use the envelopes provided. Missals are available for you to take whether you donate or not. Thank you for your consideration.

Lovers of the Outdoors

Warm weather is approaching and with that comes the need for grounds care. If you like working outside, perhaps you would consider donating 3hrs one Saturday per month to the Lawn Care at St. Therese. We would like to have 4 groups of 3 people each to make up our Lawn Care Crews. Each group taking one Saturday per month. Last year was our first year taking care of the lawn by volunteers. This has given us a significant monetary savings in the grounds care expenses. In order for this to continue we need your Help. Dan Goeden generously gave us his summer last year to get us started. We had a few people helping, but not enough to ease the pressure off of Dan. It's year two and now it is our turn to take the ball and run with it. Please contact Denise in the Parish Office for more information or to volunteer. Group Training Sessions will be offered in the Spring. Sign up now!

21st Transfer from Faith In Our Future Trust Fund

On February 24th, our parish received its 21st transfer for \$1682.40 from the Faith In Our Future Trust Fund. A tithe of \$168.24 will be given to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thanks to all who have contributed and pledged for our Faith In Our Future Capital Campaign. To date our parish has received \$81,909.37. Contribution/pledge cards are available at the tables at the entrances of the church. We give thanks!

Shawl Ministry Coordinator Needed

The Shawl Ministry is an outreach effort to provide prayer shawls for the sick and homebound. Homemade shawls are given as a tangible sign of the support and prayer of the parish community. Coordinating this ministry involves recruiting volunteers to make the shawls and arranging for the shawls to be delivered to the recipients. Interested? Please contact Dr. Guliano in the Parish Office.

Building Maintenance Update

Some of our members have reported that there is mold in our lower level rooms; specifically, Heck Hall and Miriam's Corner. We have contacted a "mold specialist" to investigate these areas and to propose a solution to this problem. Any expenditures to remedy this problem will be reviewed by both the Human Concerns Committee (who surfaced this issue) and the Finance/Administration Committee. Thanks to Denise Dostalek for working on this issue. We hope to have a proposal for consideration and review by April 1st.

Snow Closings—Check Channel 12 and Affiliates

Please note that information regarding our Parish Office closing will be reported to Channel 12 WISN-TV and will also be posted on their website, www.wisn.com, as well as broadcasted on these radio stations: 96.5 WKLH, 102.9 "The Hog," Jammin' 98.3, and Big Buck Country 106.9. Please note that, if the Parish Office is closed, all evening activities/meetings will be cancelled. However, it is not our policy or practice to cancel masses/liturgies on the weekend or holidays of obligation. Also, please remember to look for St. Therese Parish in **Milwaukee** (Milwaukee County) as there are St. Therese and St. Teresa Parishes in Kenosha and Eagle.

Intentions & Readings for the Week



March Sanctuary Candle

†Marcella Strohmeyer

Monday

Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday Mass

Tb 2:9-14/Mk 12:13-17

8:00AM †Fred Sachse

Wednesday

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

8:00AM †Ann Lackovic

7:00PM †Frances Schmidt

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 Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday Mass

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

5:00PM †Gertrude Eskra

Sunday Masses

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19/Mt 4:1-11

8:00AM †Maria Schmidt

10:30AM St. Therese Parish Community

Website for Archdiocesan Chapter 11 Bankruptcy

To access the website and learn more about the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Chapter 11 Bankruptcy, go to www.archmil.org and click on the links for further information. (If you are reading this bulletin on our website, simply click on the link above.) You will find the Archbishop's Letter, Reorganization Q & A, What the Church Has Done, Safeguarding All of God's Family, Financial Information, Historical Overview, Media Resources, Parish and School Resources, Reorganization: Contact Us, Fact Sheet on Documents and Files; Fact Sheet on Release of Perpetrator Names, and Archbishop Listecky's Video Message.

From the Green Team

Spring is just around the corner. It's the time of year when we begin planning our gardens. Consider planting a rain garden. Check the MMSD website (<http://v3.mmsd.com/RainGardens.aspx>) for how to plan and plant a garden that will help prevent flooding in our basements this summer! Or, see photos of a rain garden on our website.



Helping Seniors

"The fastest growing segment of our southeastern Wisconsin population is 85 and older," explains Adult Care Ministries Director, Jane DeGeorge. The Catholic Stewardship Appeal-sponsored Catholic Charities in-home support services provide hundreds of adults help with daily tasks, resources and companionship so that seniors can stay in their homes. Go to catholicappeal.org for details.



Catholic Stewardship Appeal

Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Season of Mercy—Lenten Penance Services

Archbishop Listecky has requested that last year's archdiocesan focus for Lent, *Season of Mercy*, continue for Lent 2011. As a part of this effort, the archbishop will preside at four Regional Reconciliation Services, each beginning at 7:00PM:

- ♦ March 22nd at Blessed Trinity Parish, Seboygan Falls
- ♦ March 29th at Holy Apostles, New Berlin
- ♦ April 5th at Basilica of St. Josaphat (English and Spanish)
- ♦ April 12th at St. Lucy Parish in Racine.

All are welcome!

St. Vincent dePaul Special Event

Dance Like it's 1964

Climb Aboard the Time Machine for the Ultimate 60s Experience on Saturday, March 12th at St. Therese Parish from 8:00-11:00PM. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Light refreshments, free beer and wine, and a cash bar will be available. The Ricochettes will perform at this CYO Revival. Grab those go-go boots and dance to raise funds for the poor. Proceeds will benefit parish groups helping to prevent evictions, restore utilities, provide furniture and stock pantries. Call (414) 462-7837 x104 for tickets or info. RSVP appreciated.



Daniel Babl, Lenore Black, Gene Brah, Christine Cosimi, Tim Dondlinger, Ben Durbkan, Gertrude Dushek, Maja Fehrenhorst, Amy Frank, Steve Geiss, Andy Grosch, Pauline Gutmann, Martha Haney, Andy Islo, Garnet Jankowski, Chuck Kestner, Bill Klapper, Ken Knollenberg, Sally Krueger, Hildegard Lang, Kay Lovering, Sarah Luck, Ann & Pat Mallon, Chris Melloch, Lori Mikula, Charles Miller, Shirley Miller, Moran Twins, Laverne Mucci, Tom Nyman, Laura Ouimet, John Pela, Deanna Polito, Gerry Roberts, Theresa Roman, Sylvia Schaffer, Margaret Schmitt, Gladys Shafer, Carlene Siever, Joel Simpson, Susan Sinks, Pat Slade, Marion Stabo, Mary Stoke, Robert John Swiderski, Jim Swiecichowski, Shirley Wiedmeyer, Frank Zareczny

Born to Eternal Life: †Maria Grosch

Sacred Heart Pre-Lenten Dinner

Join us on March 6th in the Church Hall (917 N 49th St) for one more big meal before lent. We will serve sarma and chicken dinners from 11:00AM-2:00PM \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10. Homemade baked goods will be available as well as take-outs.

Looking Ahead to Lent

Ash Wednesday Mass Times

Ash Wednesday is March 9th and marks the beginning of the forty days of Lent. Masses, with the distribution of ashes, will be celebrated at 8:00AM and 7:00PM in the Church. Ashes are blessed and distributed after the homily. All are welcome.

Lenten Wednesdays—6:30PM Mass

Plan now to attend the special Wednesday Lenten mass at 6:30PM in the chapel. Thanks to Father Hugh Birdsall, SDS, our Assisting Priest, who has agreed to preside at these masses. Please note that these masses begin on Wednesday, March 16th and continue on March 23rd, 30th, April 6th, 13th, and 20th.

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.

Holy Week (April 17th-23rd)

Due to the solemn nature of Holy Week and for the emphasis on preparing for and celebrating the Triduum, parish committees/groups are asked not to have their regular meetings during Holy Week. Please contact Courtney Falk to reschedule your meeting if needed. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation

Coordinator(s) Needed for Holy Thursday Soup/Bread Meal

For the last five years, we began the Triduum with a simple meal of soup, bread, cheese, and ice cream from 5:30–6:30PM before the 7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper. In order for us to continue this tradition, we need coordinator(s) for the event. If you are interested in coordinating this simple supper, please contact Dr. Guliano no later than Sunday, March 27th.

Lenten Almsgiving Recipient

Our Lenten Alms recipient for this year 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 local, non-profit organization that provides assistance to grandmothers 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. Learn how the grandparents have responded to the help they have received since GBB came into being.



Parish Council

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

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Vice-Chairperson

Pat Hall (414) 607-9396

Secretary

Heather Goeden (414) 313-6397

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(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.