



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 27th, 2011

Parish Staff

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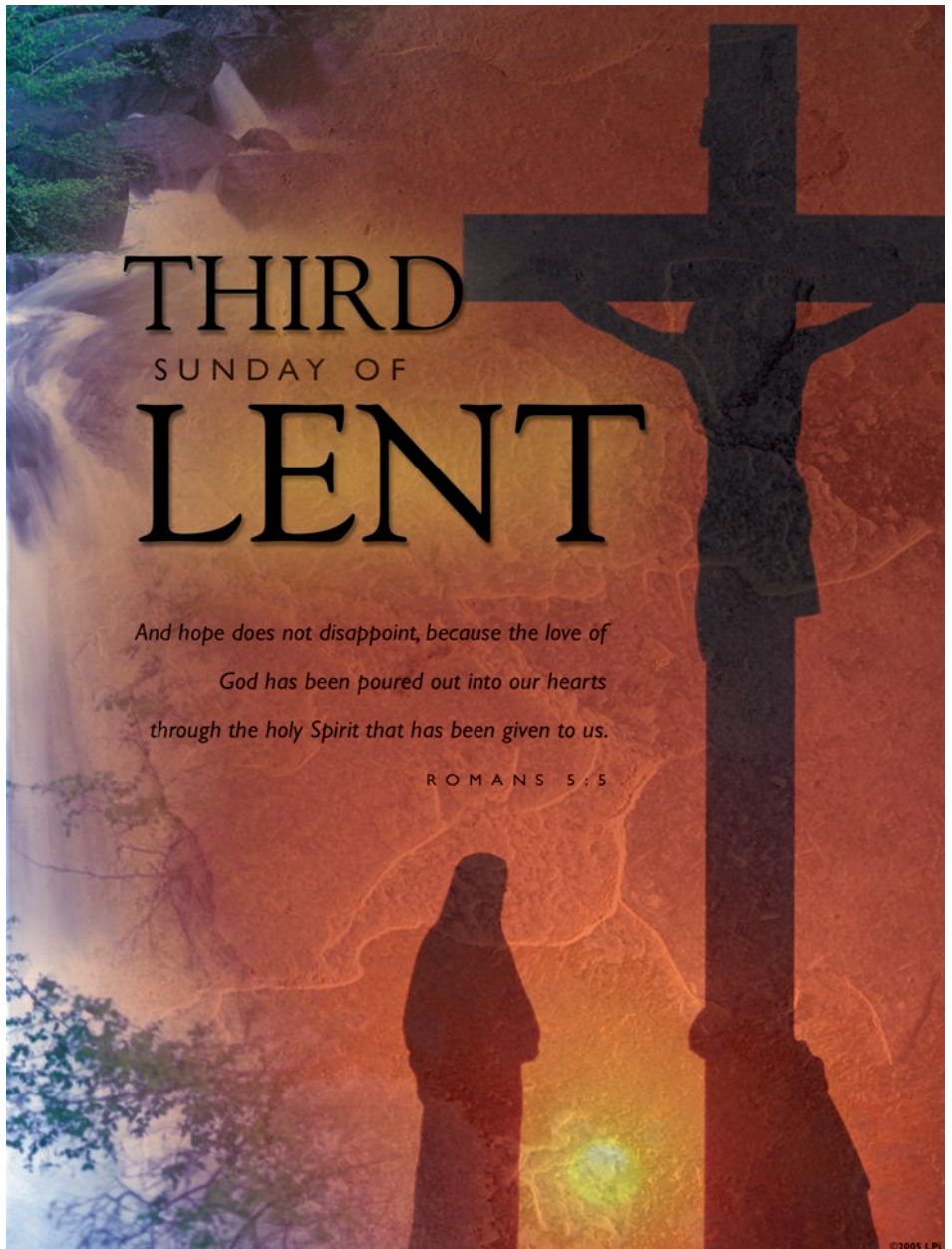
(414) 771-2500 — listen for instructions

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

◆ On the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent, we celebrate the scrutinies with our elect (those preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil). The scrutinies are actually prayers of intercession that have a spiritual purpose—"to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good." (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, #141*)

These prayers are in addition to the General Intercessions (Prayers of the Faithful) and occur after the homily. The scrutinies also include a prayer called "exorcism," not to be confused with the formal rite of exorcism that the Church reserves to those properly ordained and delegated to perform that ministry. The prayer of exorcism is a prayer for deliverance from sin, for freedom from the effects of sin, and for strength for the elect as they continue their spiritual journey to Easter.

While we pray for the elect, let us also pray for ourselves—that we, the baptized and fully initiated, be likewise delivered from sin and its effects, and become increased in strength and resolve as we continue our spiritual journeys.

◆ Plan now to attend the liturgies of the Sacred Triduum, our high holy days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday, April 21st, 22nd, 23rd/24th. If you have never experienced all three days, please do so this year. On Holy Thursday, the Mass of the Lord's Supper begins at 7:00PM, and our simple supper prior to the liturgy is from 5:30–6:30PM. On Good Friday, we have two liturgies, at 1:00PM and 7:00PM. The Easter Vigil begins at 8:30PM. Each day of the Triduum begins with Morning Prayer; 8:00AM on Holy Thursday and Good Friday; and (new time) 9:00AM on Holy Saturday. Additionally, we will have the traditional Blessing of Food at 12:00 noon on Holy Saturday and the adoration and prayer before the reserved Sacrament on Holy Thursday from after mass to 10:00PM in the Chapel.

May God bless your Lenten journey of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

Parish Council April Meeting Change

The April Parish Council meeting has been changed to April 11th at 7:00PM. Please update your calendars.



CHURCH SUPPORT	
Envelopes & Offertory	\$3990.63
Special Collection	\$1289.25

Please remember St. Therese in your will!

Infant Baptism Prep Team Forming

The first sacrament of initiation is Baptism. Catechists are needed to help prepare parents for the celebrating this Sacrament. Please consider ministering on the Baptism Preparation Team. Please contact Dr. Guliano if you are interested.

Vigil Candles—Freewill Offering

The price of our vigil candles has increased. We purchase these in bulk for \$2.49 each. Please know that it is our privilege to offer prayer, and all are welcome to light candles as a way of prayer. We ask for a freewill offering of \$2.50 to help us defray the cost if at all possible.

Attention All Parish Committees/Groups

Yearly Summaries Due for Annual Meeting

Time is running out! In preparation for the Annual Parish Meeting, all committees/groups are asked to submit a short report. Please include the highlights of the committee/group activities and business in the past year, the names of the current members, and the officers. Please submit these to Courtney Falk, in writing, (email preferred) no later than 12:00PM on March 30th. As of this writing, only three reports have been submitted, so please make sure not to miss the deadline!

Trustee-Treasurer Term

Jim Balliet has agreed to serve as Trustee-Treasurer for another two-year term (2011-2013). If any parish member is interested in running in an election with Jim for Trustee-Treasurer, please contact Dr. Guliano for application papers. Thank you, Jim, for all that you do for the St. Therese Faith Community.

Parish Forms

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.

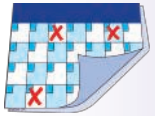
Reminder About Pulpit Announcements

Requests for pulpit announcements are due by 12:00PM on Thursday for the following weekend. If a group/committee member would like to give the announcement rather than the Lector, please remember to submit the announcement by the above deadline to get approval ahead of time and to check in with the Lector before mass. Some weeks of the year we have several announcements, so please keep these brief and to the point. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

Stewardship Thought for the Week

God heard the cry of the Israelites and responded generously by bringing them out of Egypt. But in the desert the Israelites began to grumble. They lost the sense of gratitude for the gift of their freedom. As faithful stewards, we pray that we will always be grateful for the opportunities and gifts we have been given, and that we will respond generously in sharing our gifts with others.





Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, March 27th

- 9:45AM St. Therese Choir (CH)
- 10:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 11:30AM Prayer & Worship (MC)

Monday, March 28th

- 3:45PM Catechesis – age 3-K (GLP)
- 6:00PM St. Vincent dePaul Society (MC)

Tuesday, March 29th

- 3:45PM Catechesis – grades 1-3 (GLP)

Wednesday, March 30th

- 7:30PM St. Therese Choir (CHP)
- 7:30PM Praise Band (CH)

Thursday, March 31st

No Meetings Scheduled

Friday, April 1st

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, April 2nd

- 5:00PM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- After Mass Library Lenten Display (LIB)

Sunday, April 3rd

- 7:30AM Canticle Choir (CH)
- 9:10AM CLOW Catechists (STR)
- After Masses Library Lenten Display (LIB)
- 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

The 55+ Club will be meeting at Hart Park Square (6600 W River Pkwy) on Thursday, April 14th. Complimentary lunch at 12:00PM, followed by the program "Exercise for the Older Adult." A therapist will instruct on the importance of exercise and factors unique to the older adult who may find it difficult to deal with pain, loss of mobility and balance by teaching simple moves. Reservation deadline is April 7th. Please call Gladys at (414) 476-1356, Judy at (414) 475-6809, or Pat at (414) 771-4194. Carpooling is suggested.

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.

Attention Liturgical Ministers—Special Meeting

All Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Ushers, and Greeters are asked to attend a special liturgical ministers meeting in preparation for Holy Week and Easter on Thursday, April 7th at 6:30PM in Heck Hall. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact your ministry coordinator. Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors unable to attend the meeting are asked to contact Heather in the Parish Office.

Liturgical Ministries Sign Up

Sign-up sheets for servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, greeters, and ushers for May through August are now available in the sacristy. Please indicate your mass preference and special requests in the spaces provided. The sign-up sheets will be available through Sunday, April 3rd. Schedules will be ready the following weekend. If you are interested in joining one of the ministries, please add your name and phone number to the bottom of the appropriate sheet, and you will be contacted.

Free Easter Goodies and Books to Boot!

It's next weekend after all masses in the library. There's a large array of library materials for you to check out. There are new DVDs, books for the Lenten season, audio books and Easter storybooks for children. The VHS tapes are being cleared from the library so help yourself to whatever interests you. Children are welcome to enter a free raffle for a big Easter basket filled with goodies. Come and enjoy a hot cup of coffee and a homemade treat! Don't miss this special display!

From the Green Team

What do the Boy Scouts and the Green Team have in common? Concern for the environment! Join us on Saturday April 9th from 9:00–11:00AM as the Boy Scouts sponsor an aluminum can drive, and the Green Team hosts spring cleanup of the grounds. Bring your aluminum cans, your gardening gear, or both!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

If you have any knitting or crochet talents, please consider making prayer shawls for the sick/homebound in our parish. Those who receive them are warmed both by the shawl and also by the warm wishes from our community. Contact Christine Jensen at cjensen729@yahoo.com, or (262) 391-1851 if you are able to help.

Come Join Us for a Soup Supper on Holy Thursday

\$5.00 for one or \$20.00 for a family of four or more. Place in the collection basket, or send to the Parish Office. We're looking forward to seeing all of you there. We will need help setting up in the morning, serving the food, and cleaning up afterward. Call Anne Nee at (414) 476-1046 to offer your assistance.

Passing on the Faith—74,000 Students Formed

More than 32,000 students receive exemplary education and faith formation in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee's 125 Catholic schools. And 42,000 more receive religious education in their parishes. "Catholic education exists for the sole purpose of advancing the teaching mission of the Church," says Dr. Kathleen Cepelka, superintendent of schools. Go to catholicappeal.org for details. Please give generously.



Catholic Stewardship Appeal

Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Intentions & Readings for the Week



March Sanctuary Candle

†Marcella Strohmeyer

Monday

2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday Mass

Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35

8:00AM The Nee Family

Wednesday

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19

6:30PM The intentions of Neil & Mary Guliano

Thursday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23

Friday Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday Mass

Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

5:00PM †Frances Schmidt

Sunday Masses

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41

8:00AM St. Therese Parish Community

10:30AM †Donald Meske

Mass of Atonement during Safe Environment Week

April is Sexual Abuse Prevention Month. As the Archdiocese of Milwaukee continues its path of reconciliation and resolution, during Safe Environment Week, April 3rd–9th, Archbishop Listecki will preside at a Mass of Atonement on Thursday, April 7th at 7:00PM at St. Matthias Parish in Milwaukee. The mass is another step on our journey of acknowledging our past and moving forward to a better future.

Help Survivors of Japan Earthquake and Tsunami

Catholic Relief Services is working with Caritas International and others to find pathways to bring aid to the many thousands stricken by the 9.0 magnitude earthquake and tsunami that devastated northern Japan on March 11th. Please give generously to help our brothers and sisters affected by this massive disaster. Here are three ways to give: 1) online at www.secure.crs.org; 2) by phone at (800) 736-3467 from 8:00AM–11PM Eastern Time; or 3) mail your check or money order to Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203-7090.

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 Listecki's Video Message.

Living Our Faith

The April 2nd episode of "Catholic Financial Life presents Living Our Faith with Archbishop Listecki" will focus on Medical Ethics and Moral Theology. Dr. Michael White, Physicians Guild, will share his thoughts on the Church's positions on issues like stem cell research and euthanasia. Watch "Catholic Financial Life presents Living Our Faith with Archbishop Listecki," on Saturday, April 2nd, at 12:00PM, on WISN TV 12. The program also airs on Time Warner Cable's Wisconsin On Demand, Channel 411 (under the *Your Community* tab). If you miss a show, every segment is available at www.livingourfaith.net.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed for Hospital Ministry

- ♦ Wheaton Franciscan—St. Joseph has an immediate need for volunteer Eucharistic Ministers, especially on Sundays, or on call. Applicants must be current Eucharistic Ministers for their parish. For an application or more information, please call Volunteer Services Department at (414) 447-2810.
- ♦ The Communion Ministry program at Froedtert Hospital is welcoming candidates to bring Holy Communion to patients at the hospital. Orientation and training are provided. Qualifications include personal love for the Eucharist, compassion for the hospitalized, and the ability to walk. Please call Fr. John at (414) 805-2878 to indicate your interest.



Daniel Babl, Lenore Black, Gene Brah, Christine Cosimi, Tim Dondlinger, Ben Durbkan, Gertrude Dushek, 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, Tom Nyman, 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: †LaVerne Mucci

Season of Mercy—Penance Services

Archbishop Listecki 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 29th at Holy Apostles, New Berlin
- ♦ April 5th at Basilica of St. Josaphat (English/Spanish)
- ♦ April 12th at St. Lucy Parish in Racine

All are welcome!



Stations of the Cross with All Creation—Palm Sunday Evening

A special celebration of Stations of the Cross with an environmental and care for creation emphasis will be celebrated on April 17th, Palm Sunday, at 5:30PM in the Church. Following Pope Benedict XVI's Message for the World Day of Peace, *If you Want to Cultivate Peace, Protect Creation*, these Stations of the Cross were created by the Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center (see www.ipjc.org). All are invited to come and pray these special prayers as we begin Holy Week.

Lenten Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be prayed in the Church after the 6:30PM Wednesday mass (usually about 7:00PM or shortly afterward).

Lenten Almsgiving Recipient

To date, four independent groups have been formed by the grandmothers (and grandfathers) as a response to the aid received from Grandmothers Beyond Borders (GBB). These groups meet monthly to share information, incentives, ideas, and even animals. Any grandparent who is unable to attend a meeting is visited by an attendee, and kept informed about anything new. The formation of these groups by the recipients of GBB's help is a good indication that our goal of long-term changes is being met. The sacrifices you make during this Lenten period will help to continue the work we are supporting.



Opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)

Both of these events will take place at St. Therese:

- ♦ Individual Confessions—Saturday, April 2nd beginning at 4:15PM
- ♦ Communal Penance Service—Saturday, April 9th at 4:00PM

Lawn Care Help Needed

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 the first year of taking care of the lawn by volunteers. This has given us a significant monetary savings in grounds care expenses. We had a few people helping last year, but we need full crews in order to continue these savings. Please contact Denise in the Parish Office for more information or to volunteer. Group Training Sessions will be offered in the spring.

Cheesecake and Kringle Fundraiser

Don't forget to order your cheesecakes or Kringles before the deadline of Sunday, April 3rd. Additional order forms are available in church or by calling Janet Krebs at (414) 774-9113 or Mari Pavleje at (414) 545-2733. All orders must be picked up on Saturday, April 16th from 12:00-2:00PM. Remember, too, that payment must accompany your order. If you have any questions, please contact Janet or Mari.

Parish Council Nominations

Who do you think of when you hear the word "leader?" It's time to answer that question! Nominations are now open for the new Parish Council term which begins in August. On the form below, please list any parish members, including yourself, who would be good candidates to guide the parish forward. Nominations are due by April 10th. Please mail them to the Parish Office at the attention of Parish Council, or place the completed nomination form in the collection basket. If you have any questions, please call any of the Parish Council members listed in the column on the right. Thank you!

Parish Council Nominations

List those you wish to nominate below.

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

Barb Gritzmacher (414) 774-1396

John Gritzmacher (414) 453-5265

Jim Holmes (414) 258-9195

Sahar Safavi (414) 771-2746

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, or visit our website.

Bulletin deadline:
Monday, 8:30AM

Announcement deadline:
Thursday, 12:00 NOON

All submissions must be in writing; email preferred.