



Saint Theresese Parish

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

April 7th, 2013

Parish Staff

Parish Director

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All the Members of the Parish

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(414) 771-2500 – listen for instructions

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday: 8:00AM
Sunday: 10:30AM
Tuesday: 8:00AM
Wednesday: 6:30PM

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:
Thursday: 8:00AM

See inside for Holy Day Schedules

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

— Jn 20:27-28



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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

• Happy Easter to you! We celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Easter this weekend and continue the season through the Solemnity of Pentecost on May 18th/19th. May this Season bring new life to you and yours!

• One issue that the Prayer and Worship Committee has been discussing over the past several months is our mass schedule, given our attendance record. We have kept a record of mass attendance for each of the three masses since November. On a weekend, we have a total average attendance of 250–300 attendees. Our church can seat 350, and 400 if the balcony is included. (According to the numbers, conceivably, we could all assemble at one mass!) We are at a point, that, given the priest shortage and the upcoming pastoral transition in June 2014, that the Prayer and Worship Committee is discussing and considering our celebrating one mass instead of two on Sundays. (We would continue the 5:00PM Saturday mass.)

The archdiocesan guideline has been that, if there are less than 50 in attendance at a mass time, the parish should consider combining that mass time with another. We do this in the summer months when we celebrate one 9:00AM mass rather than the two Sunday 8:00AM and 10:30AM masses. At present our 8:00AM mass has the lowest consistent attendance.

Due to the shortage of priests, and the projection of 100 less priests available for parish ministry in our archdiocese by the year 2020, all the parishes of our archdiocese are dealing with the wise stewardship of our priests. As much as we would like “masses of convenience,” we can no longer do so. The availability of the priest plus the attendance of the assembly needs to be considered as we decide what our mass schedule will be for Fall 2013.

One question that is often raised is “Can we just get/hire our own priest?” We are an archdiocesan parish, and the appointment of our Assisting Priest is made by the Archbishop, as is the appointment of the Parish Director. The parish did not hire Father Hugh. Father Norm is a help-out only. His appointment is to the VA Medical Center, and his ministry at St. Therese, whenever his schedule permits, is also acknowledged by the archdiocesan Vicar for Priests. So the short answer is “no.”

If you have read the document “Parishes and Pastoral Leadership 2020,” you will note that there are clusters of parishes that will have the services of only one priest.

There are several clusters in which one priest will serve two or three parishes. In these cases, mass schedules will inevitably change.

A special presentation will be made at all masses the weekend of May 4th/5th regarding this issue. Members of the Prayer and Worship Committee will be available to speak with parish members and listen to concerns. **At this point, no decision has been made regarding what time the mass would be for one mass on a Sunday.** What we do know is that we cannot continue as we have in the past with three masses on a weekend.

The Prayer and Worship Committee is open to receive your comments and concerns. Serving on that Committee are Pat Hall, Chairperson; Father Hugh Birdsall, SDS; Terri Wissing and Sterling Biggers, secretaries; Elterine Jankowski-Biggers; Denise Dostalek; Whitney Strohmeyer; Kathy Hubrich; Wiley Vivians; Judy Dietz; Ann Maher; Sister Marilyn Metz; Owen May; Audrey Wright; Shari Egan; and a representative from the Art and Environment Committee. Please do not hesitate to contact any of these members and/or send your written comments to the Prayer and Worship Committee through the Parish Office.

What will be our response to the call to change? Change can be a growthful if we embrace it and work with it. Hopefully we will be able to make wise decisions given all the considerations. Some things we have no control over, particularly, the increasing shortage of priests. But it is critically important to realize that this shortage is affecting all the parishes of the archdiocese; and, to a parallel extent, to the parishes staffed by religious order priests.

Finally, there is always the concern and fear raised about people leaving the parish because they do not like the change. This has happened over and over again where there have been changes, and it is a loss to the parish community. Several of us have had to deal with change over the past years, and sometimes it does lead to making difficult decisions in response to the change.

Please pray for our parish community as we deal with the issue of our mass schedule.

Easter blessings to you and yours!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano
Parish Director

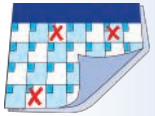
CHURCH SUPPORT—THANK YOU!

Envelopes & Offertory – Palm Sunday	\$9,752.46
Good Friday Holy Land Collection	\$ 634.57
Envelopes & Offertory – Easter Weekend	\$ 7,314.79
Maintenance Donations	\$ 80.00

Please remember St. Therese in your will!

Thank you

- To the family of †Mary Zimmer for the special memorial donation in her memory and in honor of the First Communion of her grand-niece, Luciana (Luli) Alejandra Perez.
- To John Aschenbrenner for providing the Little White Books for the Easter Season and the Little Black Books for the Lenten Season as prayer resources for us.



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, April 7th – Second Sunday of Easter

- 7:30AM Canticle Choir (CH)
- 9:45AM Saint Therese Choir (CH)
- 10:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)

Monday, April 8th

- 6:00PM Saint Vincent de Paul Society (HH)
- 6:30PM Library Committee (LIB)
- 7:00PM Parish Council (MC)

Tuesday, April 9th

- 8:30AM Bible Study (STR)
- 3:00PM Canticle Choir (MC)
- 3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Ages 3-K5 (GLP)

Wednesday, April 10th

- 3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Ages 3-K5 (GLP)
- 7:00PM Music Ministry (CH)
- 7:30PM Saint Therese Choir (CHP)

Thursday, April 11th

- 11:30AM 55+ Social Club (MC)
- 3:45PM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Grades 1-3 & Grades 4-6 (GLP)
- 6:30PM Human Concerns (MC)

Friday, April 12th

- 5:00PM Art & Environment Committee (MC)

Saturday, April 13th

Sharing Weekend

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, April 14th – Third Sunday of Easter

Sharing Weekend

- 9:10AM Parish Council Agenda Meeting (STR)
- 9:10AM CLOW Catechist Meeting (MC)
- 9:45AM Saint 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

Donation Needed

- Lenten Chasuble and Stole for Priest Presiders—\$200
- 135 Pew Hymnals—\$15.50 each

Wednesday Mass Cancelled—April 17th

Please note that the 6:30PM Wednesday, April 17th mass will be cancelled because our priest is unavailable.

Summer Mass Schedule

June through August

- 5:00PM Saturday
- 9:00AM Sunday

Schedule begins the weekend of June 1st/2nd.

Sharing Weekend is Next Weekend

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference here at St. Therese leads men and women in joining together to grow spiritually by helping those who are in need and suffering. Those needs may include clothing, furniture, appliances, partial utilities, partial rents, and sometimes just somebody to talk to. Their vision is to end poverty through systemic change. Without St. Vincent de Paul's help, many families would not be as well off or may even be without a meal. Please give generously so that those in need will be helped.

55+ Social Club

Come join our St. Therese 55+ Social Club on Thursday, April 11th for delightful entertainment by The Harmony Singers, comprised of music from movies, theater, and "the good old days." Our lunch menu is Swedish Meatballs, noodles, green beans, and baker's choice for dessert. The cost is \$7.00. Reservations and money are due no later than Monday noon, April 8th. We will eat at 12:00PM, entertainment begins at 12:30PM. Place money in an envelope, put in the 55+ mailbox in the sacristy. RSVP to Judy 475-6809, or Pat 771-4194, or Gladys 476-1356.

Attention All Parish Committees/Groups/Ministries

Yearly Summaries Due April 15th for Annual Meeting!

In preparation for the Annual Parish Meeting, all committees, groups and ministries are asked to submit a short report. Please include the highlights of the committee, group and ministry activities and business in the past year, the names of the current members, and the officers. Please submit these the Heather Goeden, in writing, (email preferred) by April 15th.

Liturgical Ministry 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 preferences and special requests in the spaces provided. Also, please note the change in the Mass schedule for June thru August. Schedules will be ready the following weekend. If you are interested in joining one of the ministries, please contact Heather in the Parish Office. Questions? Contact: Jim Balliet (Server Coordinator) 257-0339, Ann Maher (Lector Coordinator) 453-4437, Judy Dietz (Eucharistic Minister Coordinator) 607-0681, Audrey Wright (Greeter Coordinator) 771-2140, or Mari Pavleje (Scheduler) 545-2733.

Note to All Ushers:

Please Check- In 15 Minutes Before Mass Begins

All Ushers are reminded to check-in the sacristy 15 minutes before mass begins. We often have special rituals and other important happenings during mass, and we review these before we prepare for the Opening Procession.

Saint Vincent de Paul Bundle Weekend

Spring is here and so is the St. Vincent dePaul Bundle Weekend. While you are doing your Spring cleaning, remember Bundle Weekend will be here on April 20th and 21st for those items you no longer need. Someone will benefit greatly from your generosity.

Know Anyone Who is Home Bound and May Want to Receive Holy Communion?

Do you know anyone in the parish who is home-bound or resides in a nursing home who would like to receive Holy Communion? If you do, please give the person's name, address, and phone number to Heather Goeden in the Parish Office. Father Hugh will contact the person to confirm whether they want to receive communion and will arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to visit them.

Food Pack for World Wide Hunger Relief

The Food Pack for World Wide Hunger Relief will be on April 27th at 10:00AM. Sign up to help on April 13th/14th and 20th/21st. This is something new we are trying out and we can't make it work without you.

Intentions & Readings for the Week



April Sanctuary Candle

†Dr. Carrie Ann Castelaz, MD

Sunday, April 7th

Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Monday, April 8th

Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday, April 9th

Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15

8:00AM †Mary Ann Hesselbein

Wednesday, April 10th

Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

6:30PM For the health of Christine Cosimi

Thursday, April 11th

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM *Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36*

Friday, April 12th

Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday Mass, April 13th

Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21

5:00PM †Anthony Damato

Sunday Mass, April 14th

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19

8:00AM †George Schultz, Jr.

10:30AM St. Therese Parish Community and †Frank Zareczny



Mimi Albano, Henry Belling, Lenore Black, Judith Bolton, Gene Brah, Alyce Breitweiser, Kathryn Brinn, Terri Brunner, Marjorie Corak, Rachel Corak, Jean Dalnodar, Jeannie and Karl Deutscher, Loretta Dobert, Tim Dondlinger, Kaylin Dushek, Leonard Dushek, Maija Farenhorst, Barbara Fischer, Ethel Forster, Kathleen Fry, Doris Griger, Andy Iso, M. Rose and Michael Jules, Chuck Kestner, Joe Landry, Shirley Leinss, Travis Lerchen, Ann Leys, Pete Lovinus, Mary Jane Lucas, Neil Massey, Lori Mikula, Susan Monyette, Andy Nitka, Karen Nycz, Rachel Ragatz, Judy Rahn, Barb Redzich, Diane Roegner, Barbara Schmitz, Terry Shinn, Carlene Siever, Joel Simpson, Marion Sinks, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mark Stabo, Gina Stone, Ruth Stueckroth, Salvatore Vallone, Pius Vetter, Don Wackholz, David White, Anita Yaeger



Liturgical Ministers Scheduled for April 13th/14th

	5:00PM	8:00AM	10:30AM
Lectors	Drozdowicz, D. Touchett, P.	Mickey, M. NOT FILLED	Sanger, M. Maher, A.
Altar Servers	Drozdowicz, S.	Holmes, J.	Balliet, J.
Eucharistic Ministers	Hubrich, K. – 1 Gill, Jane – 2 Vivians, W. – 3 Gritzmacher, B. – 4 Pavleje, M. – 5	Armstrong, T. – 1 Hauck, J. – 2 Krebs, J. – 3 Jagemann, C. – 4	Lipinski, M. – 1 Brown, A. – 2 Wissing, T. – 3 Okruhlica, L. – 4 Pinto, Catherine – 5
Greeters	Sullivan, D. Stabo, M. Gritzmacher, B.	Goeden Family Jagemann, S. Krebs, J.	D'Amore, P. Rahn, J. Kolesari, S.
Ushers	Gritzmacher, D. Gill, Jim Lemke, D.	Holmes, B. Sachse, G. NOT FILLED	Moehr, D. Kolesari, G. Szablewski, N. Sanger, R.

Annual Parish Meeting – Sunday, May 5th

Plan now to attend the Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, May 5th beginning at 5:00PM with dinner in Heck Hall, followed by the annual meeting at 5:45PM. Dinner is \$5.00 per person, or \$20.00 per family of four or more. Please return the form below by dropping it in the collection basket, putting it in the Parish Council mailbox in the sacristy, or mailing it to the Parish Office to the attention of the Parish Council. If you have any questions, please contact the council by the email address or any of the phone numbers listed on the last page of this bulletin. Childcare will be available. Please indicate the name and ages of your children on the form below.

Annual Meeting Dinner Reservation – May 5th

Name _____

Phone () _____ Email _____

Number Attending _____ x \$5.00 = _____
(max of \$20.00)

____ Yes, I/We will be using the childcare provided.

Child Name: _____ Age: _____

Child Name: _____ Age: _____

Child Name: _____ Age: _____

Please return this form and payment to the Parish Council.

Flower/Candle Donations for the Easter Season

Easter continues though the Solemnity of Pentecost May 19th. Help us keep fresh flowers and plants for the church environment during this time as well as defray the cost of the extra candles used to remind us that the Light of Christ is with us always. Please consider a donation of any amount in memory of a loved one or for a special intention.

Candle and Flower Donations—PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Donor Name _____

Phone () _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Select one: In Memory In Honor In Thanksgiving

Intention _____

Publish in bulletin? Yes No Print intention, not donor

Thank You

Thanks to all who planned, prepared, and ministered at our Lent, Holy Week, and Triduum, and Easter celebrations!

- The Prayer and Worship Committee, chaired by Pat Hall, who planned and oversaw all our liturgical celebrations.
 - All the liturgical ministers—Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Ushers, and Lay Presiders.
 - Our Art and Environment Committee, chaired by Barb Gritzmacher, for assuring the church decorations enhanced our worship.
 - All who donated for the purchase of Easter candles and flowers (continues through Pentecost).
 - The Canticle Choir, St. Therese Choir, cantors, instrumentalists, directed by our Pastoral Musician, Elterine Jankowski-Biggers and accompanied by Sterling Biggers.
 - Our Parish Staff Members, Heather Goeden, Denise Dostalek, Whitney Strohmeier, Elterine Jankowski-Biggers, Lisa Vallone, Sterling Biggers, and Dr. Alexandra Guliano, who often minister “behind the scenes” to support our ministries and celebrations.
 - Mary Rose Sanger, for coordinating our Lenten almsgiving for Worldwide Hunger Relief.
 - Father Hugh Birdsall, SDS for presiding at the Wednesday, 6:30PM mass and for leading the Stations of the Cross afterward.
 - Our Children’s Liturgy of the Word catechists—Linda Okhrulica, Gloria Ratkowski, Anne Nee, and Catherine Pinto, who opened the Word of God to our children each week of Lent at the 10:30AM mass.
 - Sue Gritzmacher, Courtney Falk, and Sterling Biggers who proclaimed the Word in song at the Easter Vigil.
 - All who participated in the Holy Thursday presentation of the holy oils, the washing of the feet, and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament; the carrying of the large cross on Good Friday; tending the fire, working the lights, distributing the blessed water, and carrying the Easter candle during the Triduum.
 - Christine Reinders, who prepared our children for First Holy Communion— John Brady Haynes, Luli Perez, and Liberty Kashian.
 - Our Tween Group and some younger siblings for assembling the jelly bean packet and prayer for our Easter liturgies—Noah Reinders, Dashiell Reinders, Rayna Eno-Barnes, Elizabeth DeFrancisco, Derek Watters, Noah Pinto, Eric Pinto, Alaina Pinto, Sadie Rose Goodacre, and their leaders, Jan Eno and Rick Reinders.
 - Gladys Sachse, our expert seamstress, for designing and maintaining the liturgical cloths (appointments) and Cheryl Brunner for maintaining our altar cloths.
 - To Mary Rose Sanger, Eric, Ryan, and Sue Dushek, and the Easter Egg Hunt Committee for a fun (and muddy) Easter Egg Hunt Holy Saturday morning and to the donor who funded the event!
 - To Christine Jensen and Ann Maher and their crew of volunteers for coordinating the Easter Vigil Hospitality Reception.
 - Father Hugh Birdsall, SDS, Father Norm Oswald, and Dr. Alexandra Guliano for their spiritual leadership and pastoral care.
 - Everyone who prayed and worshipped with us these blessed days!
- A Blessed Easter Season to all!

Hazardous Waste Collection

Are you starting your spring cleaning and have hazardous materials to dispose of? There will be a hazardous waste mobile collection for Milwaukee County Residents at State Fair Park on April 12th from 11:00AM to 6:00PM and April 13th from 8:00AM to 2:00PM. Enter at Gate 8, off of 76th Street. Please go to <http://v3.mmsd.com/hhw.aspx> for a list of items that they will accept at the collection.

Reach Out, Reach In

Reach Out Reach In, held from July 14th–19th, is a unique opportunity for teens ages 15-18 to roll up their sleeves and dig into the good work being done by community organizations that meet the needs of the poor and vulnerable within the Archdiocese. Registration is limited to eight teens per parish, and spots fill up rapidly. Enrollment deadline is April 30th. Scholarships are available. Learn more at www.johnpaul2center.org/RORI.htm.

Parish Council

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

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(414) 453-5750

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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 Heather Goeden 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 Heather in the Parish Office.

Need Prayer?

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

Bulletin deadline:

Monday, 8:30AM

Announcement deadline:

Thursday, 1:00PM

All submissions must be in writing; email preferred.