



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 15th, 2013

Parish Staff

Parish Director

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Mass Schedule

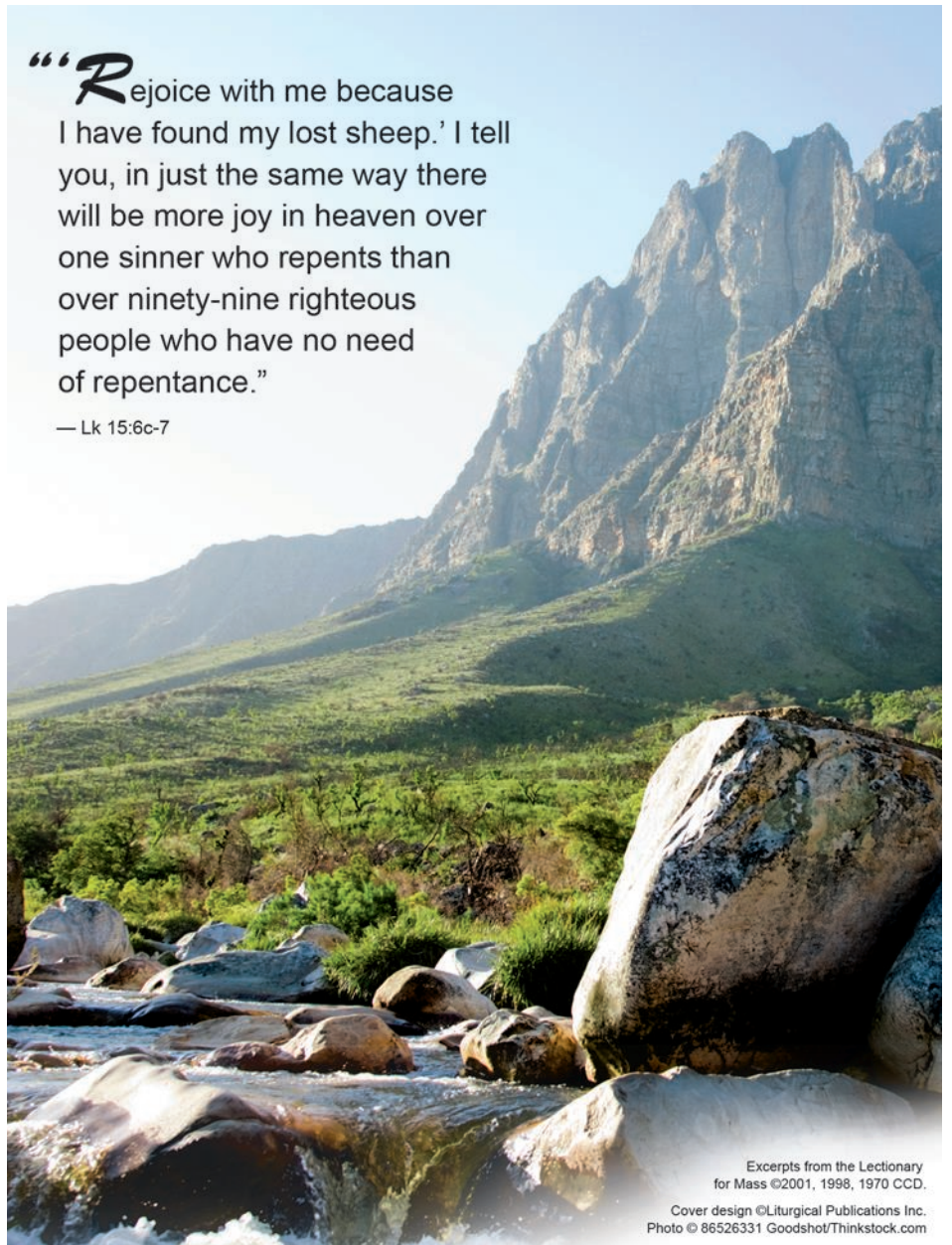
Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday: 9:00AM
Tuesday: 8:00AM
Wednesday: 6:30PM
Friday: 8:30AM

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

See inside for Holy Day Schedules

“**R**ejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.’ I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance.”

— Lk 15:6c-7



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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

• Good news! It's always easy to share good news, and we have some important and encouraging news. We ended our fiscal year 2012-2013 on a positive note, with a profit of \$8,693.60. A copy of the summary is inserted in today's bulletin and will be available on the tables at the entrances of the church for the next two weeks.

How did we accomplish this? First, we worked diligently on stewardship of time, talent, and treasure. As you can see, we had a total income of \$451,288.89 and our expenses totaled \$442,595.29. In several of our departments/ministries, our expenses were under budget and/or were funded by special purchase donations. Thankfully, we had no capital purchases, emergency repairs, or large purchases for the year.

Our Air Conditioning Fund, a restricted fund, is now at \$23,631. Thanks to all who have donated and who continue to donate for this fund. We're making progress, week by week.

Not so good news! We did not meet our Ordinary Income Goal for 2012-2013 by \$15,212.48. But we were able to end the fiscal year on a positive note because we exceeded our other income by \$10,328.08 and our designated income by \$2,798.29. Additionally, we did not spend the projected \$10,759.71 for department/ministry expenses. The end result was a positive \$8,693.60.

We still have a way to go in increasing our income so that we can fully fund our Christian Formation Ministry. Thanks to our stipended coordinators and the volunteer ministry of Sterling Biggers, we achieved a balanced

budget for 2013-2014. Sterling is saving the parish quite a bit of money (an estimated \$20,000) by coordinating and developing our Sunday Catechesis Program as part of his stewardship of time and talent. Please thank him for this generous stewardship!

Thanks to all who contributed time, talent, and treasure as a thanksgiving to God in Fiscal 2012-2013!

• Speaking of the Sunday Catechesis Program, this weekend we celebrate the Kick-Off or Catechetical Sunday. We are blessing and commissioning all our catechists at our weekend masses—Sterling Biggers, Catherine Pinto, John and Sue Gritzmacher, Sister Marilyn Metz, Jim and Barb Holmes, Kathy Chudy, Rick Reinders, Christine Reinders, Pat Safavi, Linda Okhrulica, Gloria Ratkowski, Ann Nee, and Mary Rose Sanger. Thanks also to our Christian Formation Committee—Jan Eno, Pat Safavi, Pat Rickert, Rick Reinders, Heather Goeden, and Mary Hartay. Parents, grandparents, guardians, and interested parishioners, please stop in and visit one of the classes.

• And, after you visit the Catechesis Program, come down to Heck Hall for the Parish Reflection Session on Archbishop Listecky's Pastoral Letter, "Who Do You Say That I Am?" The first session is this Sunday, September 15th, and the second session is Sunday, October 13th.

Please help share the good news of our parish community with others.

God be with you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano

Copy of the DVD on Archbishop Listecky's Pastoral Letter Available

A copy of the DVD on Archbishop Listecky's Pastoral Letter, "Who Do You Say That I Am?" is available in the Parish Office. Please contact Heather Goeden to receive a copy.

Messages of Condolences to the Family of †Rev. Quintin Heck

We offered a memorial mass for †Rev. Quintin Heck this weekend—Saturday, September 14th at 6:30PM. Thanks to Father Norm Oswald and all our parish ministers for participating in this mass and the hospitality following. If you wish to send a message of condolence to †Father Quintin's family, please send these to the parish office, and these will be sent to his mother. May he rest in peace!



CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory	\$ 6,206.00
Sharing Weekend	\$ 951.00
Maintenance Donations	\$ 47.00
Air Conditioning Donations	\$ 240.00
Mission Collection	\$ 20.00

Please remember St. Therese in your will!

Welcome to our newest members:



- Bryan & Katie Everard and their children Chase and Faith.
- Mallory Bugel

Thank You

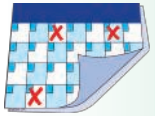
- To the family of †Ronald Kempinski for the memorial donations from family and friends.
- To the members of the Art and Environment Committee and the Building and Grounds Committee who are helping with cleaning the church, maintaining the grounds, and repairs at the Parish House while we are short-staffed.

Donations Needed

- Prayer Ritual Books for Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick—\$71
- If you wish to donate part or all the cost of these books, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office. Thank you!

Attention Committees and Groups

All Committees and Parish Groups are reminded to please send your meeting dates and meeting room requests for September 2103 through June 2014 to Heather Goeden in the Parish Office. Since we have limited meeting space, please submit these dates and times as soon as possible.



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, September 15th – Greater Tosa Mum Sale

- 9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 10:00AM Preschool–8th Grade Catechesis (CH)
- 10:00AM Parish Synod Reflection Session (HH)

Monday, September 16th

No Meetings Scheduled

Tuesday, September 17th

- 6:30PM Finance Council (MC)
- 7:00PM Green Team (HH)

Wednesday, September 18th

- 7:00PM Music Ministry (CH)
- 7:30PM Saint Therese Choir (CHP)

Thursday, September 19th

- 7:00PM Prayer & Worship (HH)
- 7:00PM Group 100 AA (MC)

Friday, September 20th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, September 21st

- 4:00PM Canticle Choir (CH)

Sunday, September 22nd

- 8:15AM St. Therese Choir (CH)
- 9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 10:00AM Preschool–8th Grade Catechesis (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

St. Vincent de Paul Society Friends of the Poor Walk

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of Milwaukee is dedicated to the elimination of poverty and hunger in our community. Help us in achieving this goal by joining us for a beautiful 1 or 3 mile walk along Lake Michigan on Saturday September 28th. Event details and registration can be found at www.fopwalk.org. If you wish to walk then select #552 (District Council of Milwaukee) If you can't walk and would like to donate then go to the website for donation info.

Why Do We Attend St. Therese Parish?

On May 5th, the Prayer and Worship Committee collected comments from the attendants at mass that day. In the following weeks we will publish the responses. See if you agree!

What is the #1 reason you celebrate Mass at St. Therese?

- "To honor the Lord. Also to give thanks."
- "I love going to Mass. It is a beautiful community celebration. It lifts me up, raises my spirits and keeps my faith alive and vibrant."

New Weekday Mass Schedule through November 27th

We will be adding an additional weekday mass on Friday mornings at 8:30AM through November 27th. The new schedule for masses, both weekday and weekend, will be as follows:

- Saturday - 5:00PM and Sunday - 9:00AM
- Tuesday - 8:00AM, Wednesday - 6:30PM, and Friday - 8:30AM

The Tuesday morning 8:00AM mass will continue year round. The Wednesday evening 6:30PM mass and Friday morning 8:30AM mass will be suspended during the winter months until the beginning of Lent.

You Decide!

You decide the amount of time you would like to commit to: 5:00PM or 9:00AM or both, one Sunday a month with the summers off, only holiday celebrations, only to serve in the chapel, or when you are assigned and/or needed. Requests when you are not available to serve are honored. Please prayerfully consider sharing some of your time with fellow parishioners and become a Eucharistic Minister (or a member of any of the other liturgical ministries: greeters, ushers, lectors, music-choir, sound board, musicians or alter servers.) All are invited. Please contact Heather Goeden at (414) 771-2500 and she will be able to put you in contact with the appropriate coordinator. Thank you for considering this opportunity to help make St. Therese parish a vibrant community.

Mum's the Word

The Greater Tosa Interfaith Annual Chrysanthemum Sale is this weekend at the Bluemound entrance. The flowers are in 8-inch pots and will sell for \$6.00 each or two plants for \$11.00. Proceeds support Greater Tosa Interfaith Neighborhood Outreach Program which is a ministry connecting older neighbors with a caring community.

The Saint Therese Canticle Choir

The Canticle Choir provides sung prayer leadership at Funeral Masses, a time when members of our congregation are most vulnerable and need support. The group rehearses once a month on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 3:00PM. Consider joining The Canticle Choir so that you, too, could be an ambassador for our parish by offering this ministry to our parishioners and their extended families. There are no auditions. All you need is a love of singing and a willingness to share that love with grieving families. Call Elterine (Dusty) at the parish office at (414) 771-2500 x15, or email her at jankowe@sainttheresemilwaukee.org for further details.

SVdP Meal Program Needs Cream of Mushroom Soup

The St. Vincent dePaul Meal Program is in need of more cans of cream of mushroom soup. Please bring cans of any size to mass and put them on the labeled table near the sacristy for the St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program until September 29th. Please do not bring the donations to the Parish Office, and please check the expiration dates. Any size, any brand!

Saint Vincent de Paul Society – Visitations

The St. Vincent de Paul Society visits people in all kinds of distress to offer a helping hand and a listening ear. Volunteers go to the homes of anyone who requests help. They also visit people in nursing homes, hospitals, and in prison. Throughout our archdiocese, they made contact with more than 100,000 people last year. We celebrate the works of our parish St. Vincent de Paul conference and encourage everyone to consider becoming part of this arm of the Church's ministry.

St. Therese's First Annual Christmas Cookie Sale

SAVE THE DATE and fire up the ovens. St. Therese's First Annual Christmas Cookie Sale will be December 13th and 14th. Volunteer cookie bakers can sign up in November. MMM, what's your favorite? Questions? Contact Mary at (414) 425-2028 or Christine at (262) 391-1851.

Intentions & Readings for the Week



September Sanctuary Candle

†Art and †Fran Ehrmann

Sunday, September 15th

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32

Monday, September 16th

1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday, September 17th

1 Tm 3:1-13/Lk 7:11-17

8:00AM †Edward Lukomski

Wednesday, September 18th

1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35

6:30PM †Anne Lemanski

Thursday, September 19th

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:00AM 1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50

Friday, September 20th

1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3

8:30AM †Rev. Quintin Heck

Saturday Mass, September 21st

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

5:00PM St. Therese Parish Community and †Joan Butler

Sunday Mass, September 22nd

Am 8:4-7/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13

9:00AM †Edward Baganz & †Joseph & †Gertrude Kohlmann



Mimi Albano, Evelyn Anderson, Lenore Black, Judith Bolton, Gene Brah, Alyce Breitweiser, Kathryn Brinn, Marjorie Corak, Rachel Corak, Jean Dalnodar, Jean and Karl Deutscher, Loretta Dobert, Tim Dondlinger, Kaylin Dushek, Leonard Dushek, Ethel Forster, Doris Griger, M. Rose and Michael Jules, Chuck Kestner, Joe Landry, Shirley Leinss, Travis Lerchen, Ann Leys, Mary Jane Lucas, Neil Massey, Susan Monyette, Bill Murray, Andy Nitka, Karen Nycz, Rachel Ragatz, Judy Rahn, Barb Redzich, Barbara Schmitz, Jim Selke, Terry Shinn, Carlene Siever, Joel Simpson, Marion Sinks, Susan Sinks, Marion Stabo, Mark Stabo, Gina Stone, Andrew Sullivan, Deana Sullivan, Marcella Ullenberg, Salvatore Vallone, Pius Vetter, Don Wackholz, B.J. Walters, David White, Anita Yaeger, Bill Ziegler

St. Therese Parish Community,

I was overwhelmed! The rose plant in the white container was so beautiful. Thank you!

Imogene McShane

Liturgical Ministers Scheduled for September 21st/22nd

	5:00PM	9:00AM
Lectors	May, O. Maher, A.	Drozdownicz, D. Coughlin, Sr. L.
Altar Servers	Reinders, N.	Bunzel, Annie
Eucharistic Ministers	Brown, A. – 1 Hubrich, K. – 2 Nee, A. – 3 Molosky, T. – 4 Schmidt, D. – 5	Safavi, P. – 1 Bunzel, C. – 2 Anderson, L. – 3 Valdovinos, D. – 4 Kennedy, A. – 5
Greeters	Manthe, K. Zipperer, J. Schmidt, D.	Bunzel, Angie D'Amore, P. Goeden Family
Ushers	Gritzmacher, D. Lemke, D. Reinders, R. & D.	Bunzel, M. Webb, W. Holmes, B. Seidl, C.

Some Thoughts on the Sunday Readings

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 14th/15th

Among the primary themes in today's gospel when we hear Jesus' well known parable of the Prodigal Son is forgiveness and the need to repent. But from a stewardship point of view what is also interesting is one of the secondary themes: the failure to use responsibly the gifts that have been so generously bestowed. The youngest son who demanded his inheritance and left home broke no laws or religious commandments. His wrongdoing was that he wasted his inherited wealth, the abundant gifts given to him. His sin was in his extravagant living; squandering his gifts in pursuit of selfish pleasures. Good stewards acknowledge that everything they have comes from God, and they are required to cultivate these gifts responsibly. What are our God-given gifts? Do we use them responsibly? Do we exercise good stewardship over them?

Air Conditioning Update

Our parish is applying for four grants to move forward our efforts at air conditioning our worship space. Please pray for these grants and the effort toward this activity. Cooling our worship space will make it more appealing to those searching for a place to worship, allow us to host more weddings during the summer months and be available for funerals that might otherwise be held elsewhere. An inviting worship space is half the battle in getting people to join us for Liturgy each weekend.

St. Vincent de Paul Disaster Relief Fund

The St. Vincent de Paul Society has been providing disaster relief to the victims of the Oklahoma tornadoes, floods and wildfires in the west, Hurricane Sandy, and in the past, Hurricane Katrina. In fact, the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society was recognized by the National Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD), which named the Society of St. Vincent de Paul its "2012 Member of the Year." The Society of St. Vincent de Paul runs primarily by non-paid volunteers, therefore, you can be assured that your contributions will go to those in need. If you wish to help the victims of these domestic nature disasters then please put your check or money contribution in the special St. Vincent de Paul Disaster Relief Envelope and drop them in the weekly collection basket. The SVdP St. Therese conference will then forward the money to the National SVDP Domestic Disaster Relief funds. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Your Thoughtfulness is appreciated.

Thank you so much for the lovely rose plant.

Mary Jane Lucas

Christian Formation Program Kick-Off!

This is the kick-off weekend for the St. Therese youth Christian Formation classes. The catechists are Catherine Pinto, John Gritzmacher, Sue Gritzmacher, Sr. Marilyn Metz, Jim Holmes, Barb Holmes and Kathy Chudy. This sharing of their time and talent is one of the ways they have chosen to live as good stewards of their faith, supporting the vision of St. Therese as a vibrant and vital parish. Feel free to share their excitement, talk to them about their classes, and thank them for their work!

Next week starts the adult portion of the program. At the beginning of mass, Tim Schwaller will give a short presentation on the Sacraments of Initiation. These short segments, on various topics, will continue through out the year.

Do You Know That We Have a Teen Program at St. Therese?

In addition to our Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9:00AM mass and our Preschool through 8th Grade Sunday Catechesis Program, we offer a high school (teen) catechesis program which includes the service component of serving at the St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program once per month. All parish youth in grades 9 through 12 are welcome. To receive registration information, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office.

Youth Confirmation Preparation Beginning!

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation for youth begins this month (September). If you are, or will be 16 years of age by April 30th, 2014 and would like to join our Confirmation preparation, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office for registration information.

Please Help Improve Our Communications

It's very important that we all work together to improve our communications. To assure that meeting times and dates are on our parish calendar, to reserve a room for a meeting or event, to request additions to the website, and more, please communicate these to Heather Goeden. Please be as complete and as detailed as possible in your communications. Thank you for your efforts.

Church Carpeting Needs to Be Replaced

The carpeting in our church is almost 30 years old! It has served us well, and we have taken good care of it, having it professionally cleaned seasonally and doing our best to clean it before soiled spots settle in. However, the carpet has reached the point that it needs replaced. Despite all our cleaning efforts, the stains and spots on the carpet return in many places, and the carpet is worn. We have received bids ranging from \$19,000 to \$24,000 for new carpeting. Rather than draw from our reserves (which we do not want to deplete further), here is an opportunity for a donor or two to make a real difference with a substantial gift for the parish that will enhance our worship environment. If you are interested in donating to all or part of the cost of replacing the carpet, please contact Dr. Guliano. Thanks very much for your consideration.

When will the Synod be held?

The actual Synod event will be held Pentecost weekend, June 7th-8th, 2014. However, there will be parish sessions on September 15th and October 13th at St. Therese and district gatherings in February and March 2014 to help prepare for the Synod.

88 Pew Hymnal Donations Needed

Please see the donation form below, and thanks for considering donating another book!

Order Form for the GATHER Hymnals – Please Print

Pew Hymnals: \$15.50 Quantity _____ Total amount: \$ _____

A Gift from: _____

In Memory of: _____

AND/OR

A Gift form: _____

In Honor of: _____

If you are ordering more than one hymnal please use a separate form for each.

Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM
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de Paul

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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 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.

Need Holy Communion?

Call Heather in the Parish Office at
(414) 771-2500.

Bulletin deadline:

Monday, 8:30AM

Announcement deadline:

Thursday, 1:00PM

All submissions must be in writing; email preferred.