



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.

January 5th, 2014

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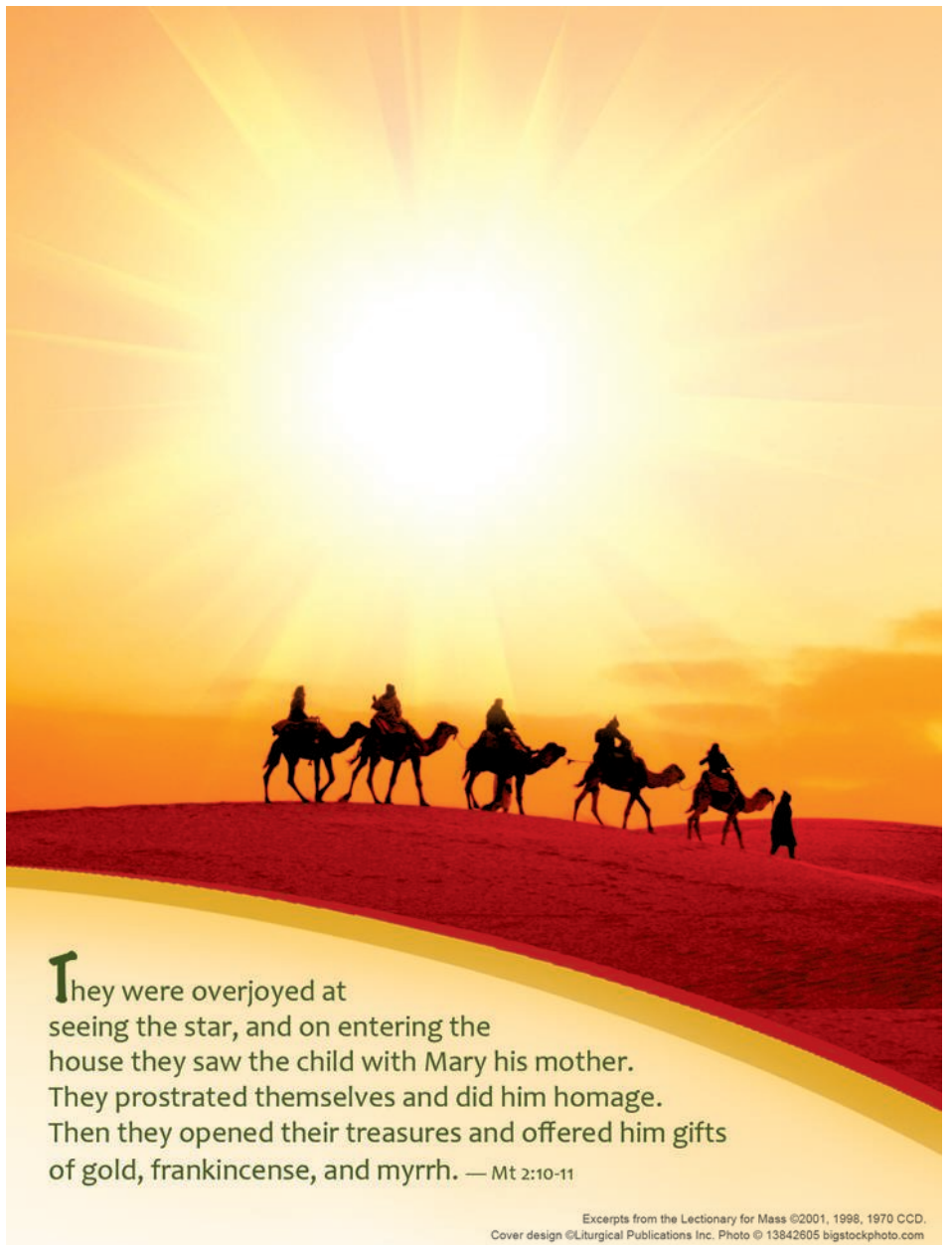
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All the Members of the Parish

Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 – listen for instructions



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. — Mt 2:10-11

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday: 9:00AM
Tuesday: 8:30AM

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:
Thursday: 8:30AM

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

- Perhaps you have seen the bumper sticker that reads, “God bless the whole world—no exceptions.” On this Solemnity of the Epiphany, we joyfully affirm our belief and thanks that God does exactly that.

The magi (or referred to colloquially as “The Three Kings”), stand for all of us who do not share the Jewish identity of Jesus and first followers. As the story goes, the magi seek the newborn King of the Jews and travel far to pay him homage. Mary and Joseph welcome them and accept their gifts.

The message for us and for all time is this: Jesus is not just for Jews. And there’s more. He’s just not for Christians, either. The peace and love Jesus brings into this world, and the forgiveness and reconciliation he brings about through his death and resurrection are for everyone—no exceptions.

On this Solemnity of the Epiphany, we celebrate a great light that has come to us, and God’s glory that shines upon us. That light and bringer of glory is Jesus. With his love and grace, we can break the boundaries that we set out of fear of inclusiveness—in our families, our communities, our nation, and our world.

- Mark your calendars and plan on attending our All Parish Meeting on Sunday, February 16th at 5:30PM in Heck Hall. Important parish issues will be addressed and discussed.
- After a seven week break, our Sunday Catechesis for Pre-School through 8th Grade resumes next Sunday, January 12th. Thanks to Sterling Biggers, our catechists, and our Christian Formation Committee for all their work in sharing and passing on our faith to our youngest members.
- The Christmas Season continues this week and ends with the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord next weekend. Keep celebrating!

God be with you—Emmanuel!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano
Parish Director

Congratulations

To Sterling and Elterine Jankowski-Biggers on their 30th Wedding Anniversary! May they have many more happy years together!



Funeral Rites for †Kenneth Rojahn

A memorial mass for †Kenneth Rojahn will be celebrated on Tuesday, January 7th at 11:00AM here at St. Therese, preceded by a Visitation from 10:00AM to 11:00AM. May he rest in peace!

Girl Scout Cookies for Saint Vincent de Paul

This is a message from your Girl Scout representative Sadie Goodacre. Lets keep the spirit of giving alive! How would you like to donate a package or two of Girl Scout cookies to the Saint Vincent de Paul Meal Program? Each package is just \$3.75. I will be waiting in the back of church to take your donations on the weekend of January 11th and 12th. See you then!

Prayer Books for Those Who Bring Communion to the Sick and Shut-In

Prayer books for those who bring Holy Communion to the Sick and Shut-In are available in the sacristy. The books include the Gospel reading for the day and the prayers for Communion to the Sick. These were donated by a parish member. Please take one for you and another for the person you visit.

St. Joseph Sunday Missals Available

Prepare for the Scripture readings each week and/or review them afterward. St. Joseph Sunday Missals are available on the tables at the entrances to the church. Donation is \$2.

Please Help Us Keep Our Prayer List Current

It is our privilege to pray for those who ask our prayers, especially those who are sick or have a special need. While we get many requests for adding names to our list, we also need to know when to remove a name from our list. If you have submitted a name and wish to keep it on our list, please contact Heather Goeden in the parish office or send an e-mail to her at heather@sainttheresemilwaukee.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

In today’s second reading it tells us “Over all these virtues put on love.” Does your marriage reflect the virtues of a holy family? Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help you to re-ignite the vows you made on your wedding day. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are January 17th-19th in Crystal Lake, IL; February 14th-16th in Madison, WI and March 7th-9th in Brookfield, WI. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

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

- “It’s our parish and a great celebration of Catholic community.”
- “Members for over 30 years, and we like it here. Know lots of fellow parishioners.”

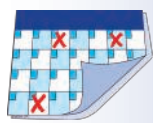
Snow/Weather Closings for the Parish

Snow and/or inclement weather closings for the parish will be listed on WISN Channel 12, parish website (www.sainttheresemilwaukee.org), and the Channel 12 website, www.wisn.com. Please remember that our parish is listed as St. Therese-Milwaukee in Milwaukee County. There are other St. Therese or St. Theresa Parishes in the Archdiocese, so please look for St. Therese-Milwaukee.



CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory (Dec. 21/22)	\$ 9,227.86
Catholic Charities Collection	\$ 634.38
Maintenance Donations	\$ 10.00
Air Conditioning Donations	\$ 20.00



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, January 5th

Sharing Weekend and Scrip Order Weekend

8:15AM St. Therese Choir (CH)

9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)

Monday, January 6th

6:30PM Library Committee (LIB)

7:00PM Parish Council (MC)

Tuesday, January 7th

No Meetings Scheduled

Wednesday, January 8th

No Meetings Scheduled

Thursday, January 9th

11:30AM 55+ Social Club (HH)

6:30PM Stewardship Committee (STR)

7:00PM Group 100 AA (MC)

Friday, January 10th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, January 11th

Scrip Order Pick-up/Girl Scout Cookie Sale

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, January 12th

Scrip Order Pick-up/Girl Scout Cookie Sale/Hospitality

8:15AM St. Therese Choir (CH)

9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)

10:00AM Preschool-8th Grade Catechesis

(GLP, GN, RR)

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

Sharing Weekend is This Weekend

The Recipient of the January Sharing Collection is Dryhooch. They are a veterans nonprofit that operates community centers in Milwaukee and other areas of the state that help the veterans and their families, "who survived the war, survive the peace." Based around a safe environment of a coffee house, they provide peer services around PTSD, addiction, family issues, legal problems, etc. Only 7% of veterans used the VA which is already overwhelmed. They helped start the Milwaukee Veterans Court providing treatment and help to veterans struggling. Service to veterans & their families are provided at no fee, all of their funding is based on community support. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Gift Basket Winners!

Congratulations to Dave Chudy and J.J. Golec who won the gift baskets at the annual Parish library Christmas/Advent display. Despite the snowy days, there was a good turnout. Thanks to all! During these cold days of January, why not curl up and watch a good movie on DVD or enjoy a great book. Visit the Parish Library in the main lobby after mass; there's lots to choose from for adults and children. DVDs are due in one week and books may be borrowed for three weeks.

St. Therese 55+ Club luncheon

You are welcome to join us for our 55+ luncheon on Thursday, January 9th. We gather at 11:30AM and eat at 12:00PM. The program is sponsored by Home Instead Senior Care, a service to keep seniors in their own home and independent, with a little help. The topic is "Fall Prevention" and Life Line Auto Alert program. \$10 dues will be collected. Menu is potluck: A-H main dish, I-M dessert, N-Z salad.

Liturgical Ministry Schedules

Liturgical ministry schedules for lectors, servers, Eucharistic ministers, greeters, and ushers for January through April are now available in the sacristy. Please pick up a copy as soon as possible. If you are interested in joining one of the ministries, it's not too late. Contact Heather in the Parish Office.

COLD ❄️ SNOW ❄️ SLEET

The winter months are upon us and we begin to deal with all the unpredictable elements that the weather gives. We try to plan for these things in our budget but as we all know the best laid plans can go awry. So for us to be prepared, the Finance Council has decided to again have a special collection to help defray some of these expenses. In the January 18th and 19th bulletin, there will be a special maintenance collection envelope that will be used for snow plowing of the parking lot, clearing of the sidewalks and salting these areas. Your contributions can be returned and placed in the collection basket the weekend of January 25th and 26th. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

Flower/Candle Memorial Donations for the Christmas Season

Please consider remembering a loved one or special intention by donating a memorial during the Christmas Season. Please fill out the form below with your donation of any amount and return it to the collection basket or send it to the Parish Office. Thank You!



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

**SUPPORT
INTERFAITH OLDER ADULTS
PROGRAMS
THURSDAY | JANUARY 16
5 PM - 9 PM**

25% of sales will benefit this organization in our community. Money raised from flyers brought in will help support our older neighbors get to their medical appointments and to the grocery

Downtown Wauwatosa
State St at Harwood | 414-443-9300

Dine In or Take Away - Please bring in flyer or mention
Interfaith Older Adults Programs

*We proudly support
local organizations.*

Intentions & Readings for the Week



January Sanctuary Candle

†Steven Nook

Sunday, January 5th

Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday, January 6th

1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, January 7th

1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

8:30AM †Dennis Nee

Wednesday, January 8th

1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday, January 9th

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:30AM 1 Jn 4:19--5:4/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday, January 10th

1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday Mass, January 11th

1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

5:00PM †Mary Fangmann

Sunday Mass, January 12th

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

9:00AM St. Therese Parish Community and
†Ivan & †Theresa Corak



Mimi Albano, Lenore Black, Judith Bolton, Alyce Breitweiser, Marjorie Corak, Jean and Karl Deutscher, Loretta Dobert, Tim Dondlinger, Leonard Dushek, Ethel Forster, Doris Griger, Dan Hubrich, Chuck Kestner, Cheryl Klass, Joe Landry, Shirley Leinss, Travis Lerchen, Mary Jane Lucas, Neil Massey, Mary McHugh, Susan Monyette, Bill Murray, Andy Nitka, Jim Noel, Karen Nycz, Lois Preston, Gerald Rademacher, Judy Rahn, Barb Redzich, Barbara Schmitz, Jim Selke, Terry Shinn, Carlene Siever, Joel Simpson, Marion Sinks, Susan Sinks, Stanton Smith, Marion Stabo, Gina Stone, Andrew Sullivan, Pius Vetter, Don Wackholz, B.J. Walters, Mary Zanger, Bill Ziegler

Taizé Service

Join us for a taizé service on Saturday, January 19th at 6:30PM at St. John the Evangelist Cathedral (812 N. Jackson St, Milwaukee). Bishop Hee-Soo Jung, Bishop of the Wisconsin Methodist Conference, will reflect on this year's theme: *Has Christ been Divided?* cf. 1 Corinthians 1:13. This event is part of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. More information and events can be found at www.wiprayingtogether.org.

For the Prayer Shawl/Blanket Ministry

I cannot express in words how much the beautiful card and prayer blanket meant to Christian and me. The day it came in the mail was a particularly hard day for Christian. I felt his doctors no longer cared about helping him with the painful headaches he was having causing unbearable self-abusive behavior and aggression towards me. I was in tears just when I received the package. My faith in humanity was once again renewed. Thank you for spreading your love our way. It meant so much at a time I needed it. Love to all whose who made this beautiful blanket. He loves it and uses it daily.

God bless you!

Jennifer and Christian

Dear St. Therese Parish Members:

Please accept our sincere gratitude for the gifts that parishioners from St. Therese Parish recently donated to Penfield Children's Center. We appreciate the donation of these items, which were given to the children and families we serve.

More than 1,500 infants and young children benefit from the quality early childhood education, therapy services and Special Care Nursery that Penfield provides. These programs offer children an environment that builds a strong sense of self, while giving parents the tools necessary to help their children grow and thrive. The generosity of your parishioners will allow Penfield to make a difference in the lives of children and families most in need in our community.

We are grateful for your parishioners' commitment to help children with special needs living in Milwaukee's most challenged areas. With your continued support, every child Penfield serves will look forward to a brighter future with endless potential.

Sincerely,

Christine P. Holmes, President - Penfield Children's Center

Dear Dr. Guliano and all the parishioners of St. Therese Church:

On behalf of the poor in Vietnam and of our Sisters who are ministering to them, I would like to extend our deep gratitude for allowing us to share our mission at your church on the weekend of August. 24th/25th, 2013. I just received a check in the generous amount of \$2,277.00 from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee regarding the Mission Appeal at your church that weekend. Thank you for your kindness and generous support. We are very grateful for the generosity of the parishioners at St. Therese Church.

May the Lord continue to bestow His many blessings and graces upon you, and all the faithful of the parish. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Gratefully your in Christ,

Sr. Ceciliaanna Le, OP – Dominican Mission Director

Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass

Archbishop Jerome Listecki will preside at the Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass Wednesday, January 22 at 7:00PM at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church (2224 45th St, Kenosha), in observance of the National Day of Penance and Prayer and the 41st anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision. Join in fellowship with Catholics from around the archdiocese for a 6:30PM rosary and 7:00PM Mass.

Stewardship Update



Stewardship

January 1st signals the start of a fresh year. It is a time when many of us make resolutions to better ourselves: lose weight, stop smoking, be more attentive to each other, and more. A resolution we hope you made or will make is to work on incorporating stewardship more in your life. A noted author who wrote a paper on the traits of stewardship, suggested one of the ways to becoming a better steward is to focus on what you have and not on what you lack. Cultivate an attitude of gratitude. One way to do this is to thank God every evening for five things for which you are grateful; and not just the big things. Express gratitude for the person who brought a smile to your face, gave you a compliment, or plowed your snow. It does not have to be long or elaborate prayer. He concludes you will feel more content. You cannot be grateful and unhappy at the same time. We will present new figures beginning again next week for our financial stewardship. We wish you all a joyous new year.

A Word From the Christian Formation Committee

January 12th is Just a Week Away



Why would we remind you of that? It's the beginning of the second series of classes in St. Therese Catechesis. We begin this session with a presentation by Tim Schwaller on the sacrament of Holy Orders. The catechists are ready to get together with their classes. We invite you to join us for coffee and other good things at the Bluemound entrance after the 9:00AM mass.

Reach Out Reach In

Reach Out Reach In will be held July 13th through the 18th, 2014. It is for teens ages 15 through 18, who have completed 9th grade and who want to be involved in direct service and social action. The sites, located around the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, include homeless shelters, adult day care, community organizations, meal programs, family/organic farms, child care and more. The experience includes community, simple living, prayer, and justice education.

For more information or to download the registration form, visit the Reach Out Reach In webpage at www.johnpaul2center.org/RORI.htm. The cost is \$235 and scholarships are available. Space is limited and registrations are due by February 28th, 2014. Contact Mary Osep, Administrator of Reach Out Reach In at osepm@archmil.org or (414) 541-9470, x15 with any questions.

We are also in need of adults to serve as worksite leaders who accompany youth to their service sites, supervise during the week, and help young people reflect on their experience. Contact Mary Osep to learn more.

Sign Our Guest Book

We would like to welcome all guests to St. Therese Parish. Thank you for sharing in our liturgy. Please sign our Guest Book at the Bluemound (main) entrance before you leave us today.

Your Thoughts for the Synod

As we work toward the Archdiocesan Synod next year, we will continue to gather your input. If you have any thoughts or comments that you believe the synod should consider, please fill out the response form below and drop it in the collection basket, email Jim Holmes at jimbarb68@gmail.com, or call Jim at (414) 258-9195. Your input is needed as we will attend district synod meetings in February, and move on to the Synod in June.

Response Form – Archdiocesan Synod

Please list issues, concerns, suggestions, and questions for the upcoming Archdiocesan Synod on June 7th/8th, 2014. If you would like a Council member to contact you, please list your name and contact information (e-mail or phone).

Name (optional) _____
Contact Info (optional) _____

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.

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.