



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 18th, 2015

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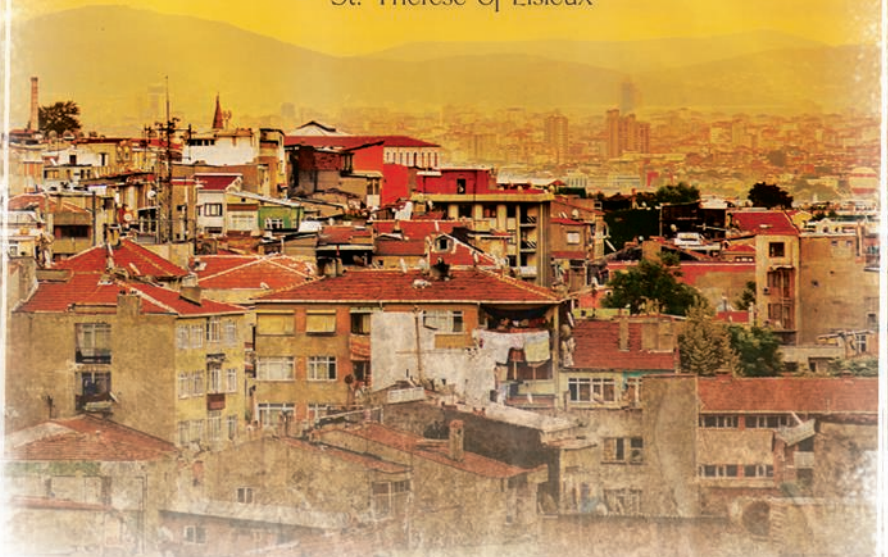
All the Members of the Parish

Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 – listen for instructions

"Our Lord does not come down from Heaven every day to lie in a golden ciborium. He comes to find another heaven which is infinitely dearer to him—the heaven of our souls, created in His Image, the living temples of the Adorable Trinity."

~ St. Therese of Lisieux



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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

Here are a few updates for your information.

- We not only reached, but exceed our 2014 Catholic Stewardship Appeal goal. THANK YOU to all who contributed by direct donation, through our parish collection, or through monthly donations to the CSA. Our 2014 goal was \$32,000; we contributed \$32,879.92 for 102.75% of our goal from 160 donors or 54% parish participation.

Thanks to Norm Tym, our 2014 Catholic Stewardship Appeal Chair and to our Parish Pastoral Council for the final push given in November.

The CSA supports our archdiocesan ministries, and several members of our parish community have benefitted from these ministries.

At its January 5th meeting, the Parish Pastoral Council discussed the 2015 Catholic Stewardship Appeal goal for the parish which was set by the archdiocese at \$32,000.

While the Council considered this goal an ambitious one, the Council also responded that we as a parish would do our best to reach this goal. However, we also noted the challenges and obstacles that we face in the process of raising this amount of money.

More to come next month when we kick off the 2015 Catholic Stewardship Appeal effort.

- The Air Conditioning Project is in process. Currently, we are waiting on the various permits from the city and the final engineering report. Once these are received, we will schedule the installation, which is estimated to take two weeks. That means we will be unable to use the church for two weeks, and we will celebrate weekend mass in Heck Hall. (We have done this in the past when the church interior was painted and during other repairs and maintenance.) Our goal is to have the air conditioning installed by Easter. If it is not possible to have it installed by Easter, we will install it soon afterward.

Please see the bulletin article on whom to contact if you

have questions regarding the Air Conditioning Project.

You will note that the parish membership has donated over \$36,000 to fund the Air Conditioning Project. The total cost is approximately \$84,000, which is significantly lower than any bid or estimate we have reviewed in the past. Both the Building and Grounds Committee and the Finance Council agreed that the time to act is now while the price is so favorable. Waiting until the entire amount is funded by parish membership donations could potentially delay the project for years; and, most probably, the total cost would increase.

The money donated for this project is in our Building Reserve Account. That account is a restricted account for building and maintenance projects only.

While it is not our intention to deplete our Building Reserve Account by funding extra projects, we also realized that it was time to act on installing air conditioning. We will continue to accept donations for the Air Conditioning Project to replenish the Building Reserve Account because we estimate that we will be using approximately \$48,000 from the Building Reserve Account to completely fund the project.

Thanks to all who have donated to the Air Conditioning Project!

- The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins this weekend (Sunday, January 18th through Sunday, January 25th). Let us pray for the breakdown of barriers between Christians and for true oneness in Christ.
- Monday, January 19th is Martin Luther King Jr. Day. As we celebrate this national holiday, let us commit ourselves to ending discrimination in any form. Since we are all God's children, may we accept and respect each other as such.

May the love of God, the peace of Christ, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be always with you!

Dr. Alexandra Guliano
Parish Director

Thank You

For the anonymous donation for the two sets of Advent candles for Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Congratulations

To Lieutenant Jason Shields of the New Berlin Fire Department, who was newly promoted to the rank of lieutenant a few weeks ago. Jason and his family (spouse, Kaitlyn; and sons, Quinnlan and Gavin) are members of our parish.

Account Totals – As of January 12th

- Air Conditioning Account: \$36,774.57
- Fr. Roger Heck Memorial Organ Fund: \$16,227.58

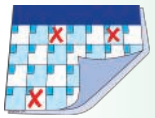
Information on Snow and Weather Closings for the Parish

In case of snow or inclement weather closing for the parish, the information will be reported on WISN Channel 12, WISN.com, and radio stations 96.5 WKHL, 102.9 "The Hog," Jammin 98.3, and Big Buck Country 106.9. **Please look for St. Therese in Milwaukee for our information.** In the past there has been confusion since there several "St. Therese" and "St. Theresa" parishes in the archdiocese.



CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory	\$ 6,101.22
Maintenance Donations	\$ 237.00
Air Conditioning Donations	\$ 20.00
Organ Fund Donations	\$ 10.00



Parish Events for the Week

Sunday, January 18th – Sharing Weekend

- 8:15AM Canticle Choir (CH)
- 9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 10:10AM High School Catechesis (STR)
- 10:15AM Preschool–8th Grade Catechesis (UPSTAIRS)
- 10:15AM 1st Communion Preparation (CH)
- 11:15AM RCIA Preparation (STR)

Monday, January 19th–Parish Office Closed

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

No Meetings Scheduled

Tuesday, January 20th

- 6:30PM Finance Council (MC)
- 7:00PM Green Team (GN)
- 7:30PM Joint Meeting of Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council, & Stewardship Committee (MC)

Wednesday, January 21st

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

Thursday, January 22nd

- 6:30PM Rebuilt Committee (STR)
- 7:00PM Group 100 AA (MC)

Friday, January 23rd

- 6:00PM Movie Night – Sponsored by the Green Team (HH)

Saturday, January 24th

Special Maintenance Collection

No Meetings Scheduled

Sunday, January 25th

Special Maintenance Collection

- 8:15AM Saint Therese Choir (CH)
- 9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 10:15AM Preschool–8th Grade Catechesis (UPSTAIRS)
- 10:15AM 1st Communion Preparation (CH)
- 11:15AM RCIA Preparation (STR)

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

Donate a Sanctuary Candle or Schedule a Mass Intention in Memory of a Loved One

Please consider donating the sanctuary candle (that burns in front of the tabernacle) in memory or honor of a loved one or for a special intention. The cost is \$10 per month. The months of July and September 2015 are still available. **Months will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.** Or consider donating a mass intention. There are weekend and weekday masses available. To donate, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office (contact information on the front of the bulletin).

Sharing Weekend – January 17th/18th

The Recipient of this month's Sharing is Doctors without Borders in the fight against EBOLA. They have been a leader in the battle against this deadly virus. We encourage you to again be generous in your contribution. They have extensive activities throughout many countries helping people with many other illnesses as well. Their funding is vital to those people.

Joint Meeting of Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council, and Stewardship Committee–January 20th at 7:30PM

All members of the Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council, and Stewardship Committee are reminded of the Joint Meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 20th at 7:30PM in Miriam's Corner. The income projections for the 2015-2016 Operating Budget will be discussed as well as any shortfalls in the 2014-2015 Operating Budget. If you are unable to attend, please contact your committee chairperson.

Peace Prayer Service Hospitality

On February 5th at 7:00PM our parish is hosting The Peace Prayer Service with the choirs of Sacred Heart Croatian and our own St. Therese Sunday Choir. We need your help with providing hospitality after the service. The main dish is pulled pork. Would you be willing to bring a dish to share – finger food, hors d'oeuvres and/or desserts? If you can help us out, please contact our Hospitality Coordinator, Christine Jensen, by email at: cjensen729@yahoo.com or by phone at (262) 391-1851. Thank you for your help!

The Big Show



“THE BIG SHOW” is coming back to St. Therese on March 1st. It's time to starting thinking about sharing your talents, whether it's singing, dancing, playing an instrument, or telling a story at “THE BIG SHOW.” All are welcome! More details will be available in the coming weeks on how to sign up to perform, or volunteer to help in another way. There's No Business Like The Big Show Business!

A Stewardship Moment

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 17th/18th

Christian stewardship begins with the call to discipleship and today's readings offer three stories about discipleship. In the Gospel, John the Baptist points to Jesus and two of his followers immediately walk after Jesus. Jesus asks them: “What are you looking for?” It is a very good question to ask of ourselves. What is it that we are looking for in Christ Jesus? What is it that we want by following Him? Is it that we desire most urgently to be servants, stewards, of the Lord? Or do we want something else?

Movie Night with *The Lorax*

Come and watch *The Lorax* with us! This computer animated version of Dr. Suess' book, played in all the major movie theatres, will now play Friday, January 23rd, in Heck Hall. In the movie, Dr. Suess takes a look at environmental degradation. The lesson is serious, but the movie is fun. Doors open at 6:00PM, the movie starts at 6:30PM. Run time is 86 minutes. If that closes in on your bedtime, feel free to bring blankets, pajamas, and huggables! The Green Team will provide the popcorn! For questions, call Pat Safavi at (414) 477-5616.

Reach Out Reach In Service Opportunity – July 12th-17th

Reach Out Reach In is for teens aged 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 cost to participate is \$235 and scholarships are available. Space is limited and preference is given to registrations submitted by January 31st. For more information or to register, visit: www.archmil.org/RORI.htm.

Intentions & Readings for the Week



January Sanctuary Candle

The Nee/Paulus Family

Sunday, January 18th

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Monday, January 19th

Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday, January 20th

Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28

8:30AM †Delores Oleskevich

Wednesday, January 21st

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday, January 22nd

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

8:30AM Heb 7:25-8:6/Mk 3:7-12

Friday, January 23rd

Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday Mass, January 24th

Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21

5:00PM †Jack Keating

Sunday Mass, January 25th

Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

9:00AM St. Therese Parish Community and For Christian Unity and for those who work for Christian Unity.



Gene & Bernice Brah, Deacon Gene Brah, Alyce Breitweiser, Christine Castelaz, Marjorie Corak, Brian Daewel, Jean Dalnodar, Loretta Dobert, Charles Dufek, Ethel Forster, Dorothy Gredler, Jackie Kaczynski, The Kaishian Family, Fr. Jack Kern, John Kowalski, Elizabeth Kreuter, Mary Jane Lucas, Liliana Maass, Matt Maccani, Neil Massey, Kim McGee, Susan Monyette, Andy Nitka, Jim Noel, Judy Rahn, Evelyn Shaw, Robert Shaw, Carlene Siever, Joel Simpson, Marion Stabo, Mark Stabo, Mary Beth Stabo, Jane Tindal, Patrick Trainor, Joyce Versnik, Pius Vetter, Duwayne Wing, Kathleen Zastrow, Bill Ziegler



Free Materials and Resources for Children and Adults

"Grow In Your Faith" Table

Excellent resources are available for children and adults, and they are free! Visit the table near the ambry (holy oils container).

Dear St. Therese Family:

Thank you for bringing presents and toys. We were so happy. Thank you much.

Myanmar Families

The Myanmar refugees would like to thank the Giving Tree Committee and all parishioners for your generous gift donations. This year we delivered the gifts directly to the homes of seven families. The children and parents were so excited as for most this was their only gift. Most important they thank you for your continued support and friendship.

Dear St. Therese Parish Community:

On behalf of the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your donation of holiday gifts and personal toiletries. Donations such as this makes everyday living more comfortable for our Veterans. Your thoughtfulness reflects the concern that you feel for our Veterans and for the service they provided to all of us while in service to our country.

Without your support, we could not provide for the smaller niceties that make hospitalization more bearable. Your thoughtfulness also reflects the concern and compassion that our community feels for our Veterans. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Pulsfus, MS, CRC – Chief, Voluntary Service

Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass – January 22nd

On Thursday, January 22nd, Bishop Richard Skiba will preside at the Archdiocese's observance of the National Day of Penance and Prayer for Life. The Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass will be held at St. Leonard Parish (W173S7743 Westwood Drive, Muskego). St. Leonard's Christian Mothers group will lead the Rosary for Life at 6:30PM, followed by Mass at 7:00PM. A reception will follow.

Leaving Something at the Parish for Someone Else? Donating to the Library?

Often parishioners leave items at the parish for a committee, person, or ministry. **Please leave these items in the Parishioner Item Pick Up Closet in the Parish Office Hallway cabinets.** Please also make sure that you communicate with the person, committee, or ministry that you are leaving off these items. **Kindly label these items.** Please refrain from leaving items in the sacristy unless previously arranged with a staff member. We want to respect that sacred space as a place for preparation for liturgy and sacraments. Please leave the vesting case free for necessary liturgical books and items.

If you wish to donate books to the Parish Library, please contact Diane May of the Library Committee to assure that the parish will accept these donations and to determine where to leave these items. (These items do not go in the Parishioner Item Pick Up Closet). Thank you for your cooperation.

Questions Regarding the Air Conditioning Project?

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Air Conditioning Project, please contact the following—for funding, a member of the Finance Council; for the bid and installation process, Denise Dostalek or Dan Goeden. Members of the Finance Council are Richard Hopefl, Chairperson; Janet Krebs, Secretary; Mari Pavleje; Jim Balliet, Trustee-Treasurer; Kathy Hubrich, Trustee-Secretary; Dave Drozdowicz, Joel Simpson, Kathy Sincere, and Lisa Vallone, Bookkeeper.

Christmas Flower and Candle Donations

In Memory

Emilie Bartha

Barbara Heinz

Billy Buffington

Adrianna Buffington

Dr. Carrie A. Castelqz, M.D.

Anonymous

Albert Dietz, Sr.

Judith Dietz

Art, Fran, & Mary Ehrmann

Jane Ehrmann/Fred Hust

Barbara & The Gocel Family

Marcey Gocel

Jerry Heinz

Barbara Heinz

Mary Ann Hesselbein

Karen & Mike Derdzinski

Bernard & Mark McShane

Imogene McShane

My Family

Donna Schmidt

Our Parents

Wiley & Mary Vivians

Sherock & Guliano Families

Mrs. Lucy Sherock

Mary Stoke

Teri Wissing

Walter & Emily Zastrow

Barbara Heinz

Clement Zipperer

Jean & John Zipperer

In Thanksgiving

Steve & Sharon Marquardt

Many thanks to all whose donations helped to beautify our Church this Christmas Season.

Parish Council

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

Chairperson

Jim Holmes (414) 258-9195

Vice-Chairperson

Pat Touchett (414) 257-0221

Secretary

Mary Rose Sanger (414) 425-2028

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Jean Marie Weber (414) 778-0025

Linda Warpechowski (414) 469-0976

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 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.

Snow**Sleet**Cold

In this week's bulletin there is a special maintenance collection envelope that will be used to help defray some of the unexpected expenses for snow plowing of the parking lot, clearing of the sidewalks and salting these areas during the winter months. Your contributions can be returned and placed in the collection basket next weekend, January 24th and 25th. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

Stewardship Update – Continue the Journey

While 177 families have returned their stewardship commitment forms, we may be waiting for yours. If you have not responded as of yet, you still can, by offertory collection, by mail, or in person in the parish office. Budgeting for the 2015-2016 fiscal year will begin in February. It is difficult to budget without a clear understanding of our expected income. As of January 12th we have received 177 responses for a total of \$284,405.00 committed, out of 249 households who received stewardship commitment forms.

For Info, Questions, and Concerns on the Zoo Interchange Project

- **Construction Communication Contact** Heather Weber (414) 704-6422 or heatherweber@gmoxie.com
- **Facebook** – /wizoointerchange
- **twitter** – @WIZooIC

Father Roger Heck Memorial Organ Fund Easy Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone () _____ Email: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ May we publish this donation? Yes/No



Bulletin deadline:

Monday, 8:30AM

Announcement deadline:

Thursday, 1:00PM

All submissions must be in writing; email preferred.