



# 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.

January 8th, 2017

## Parish Staff

### Parish Director

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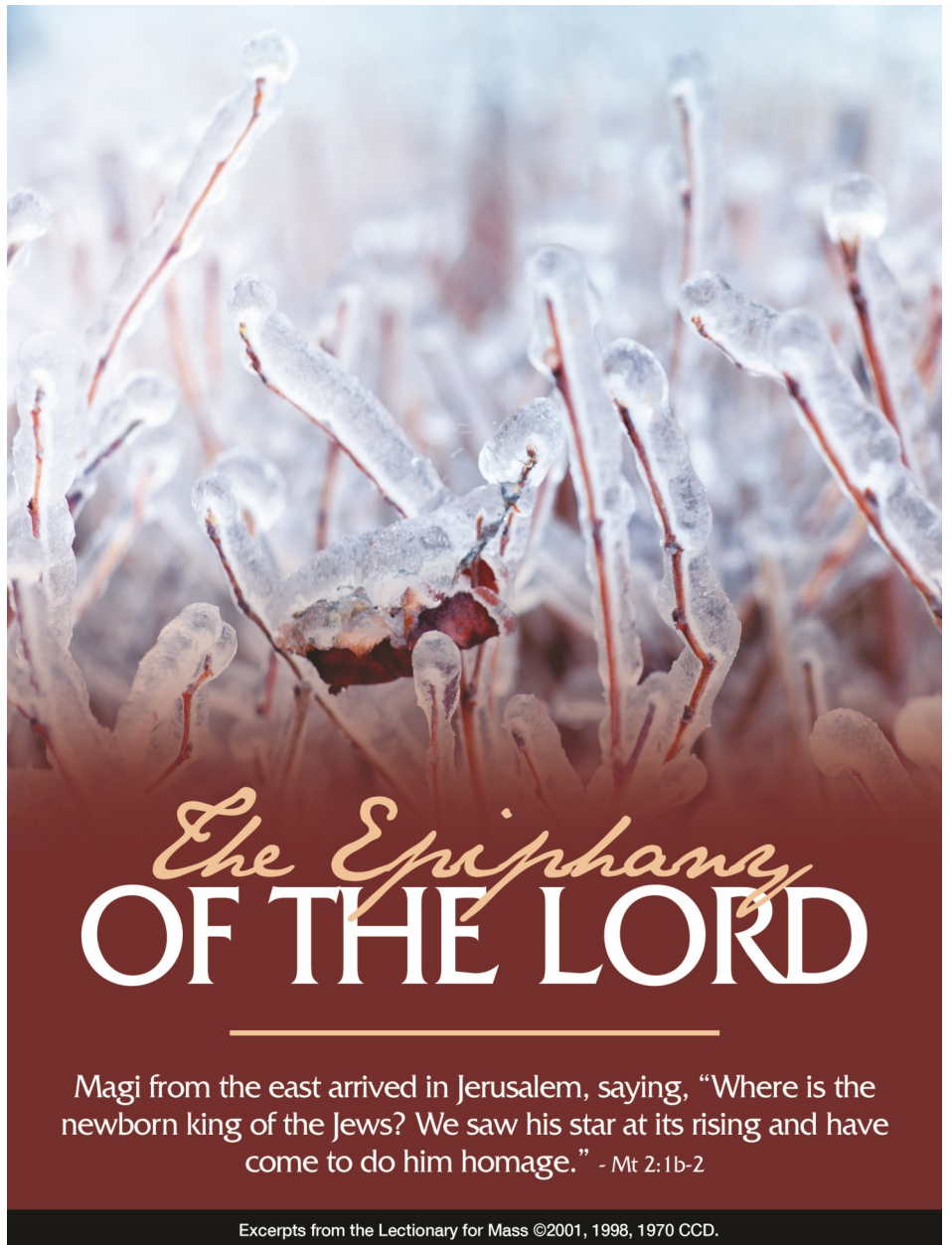
Rick Reinders – Coordinator of High School  
& Youth Confirmation

Christine Reinders – Coordinator of 1st  
Reconciliation/1st Communion & Children's  
Liturgy of the Word

**Ministers** – All the Members of the Parish

### Parish Emergencies

(414) 771-2500 – listen for instructions



## The Epiphany OF THE LORD

Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." - Mt 2:1b-2

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

## 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 – 12:00PM

## From the Desk of the Parish Director

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany. The Christmas Season ends tomorrow with the feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Epiphany is often referred to as the “feast of the Three Kings,” but it is much more than that. It is the feast of God’s inclusive love made manifest to all through the visit of those who followed the star to the Christ Child.

The story is full of drama and intrigue and is rich in symbolism. The long and treacherous journey of the magi remind us that our journeys in life, especially our spiritual journeys sometimes call us to risk and to follow God’s direction. Their decision not to heed the request of the jealous King Herod required them to listen intently for God’s message to them. Likewise, we often have to sort out the various voices that call or appeal to us to discern the voice of God.

After this visit, the Scriptures tell us that Mary, Joseph, and Jesus became a refugee family, fleeing from Israel to Egypt. They had to leave the familiar and trust that God would be faithful to them every step of the way. We, too, are sometimes called live in this type of radical trust.

The Solemnity of the Epiphany calls us to discernment, trust, and inclusion. Jesus is “Emmanuel,” which means “God is with us.” Epiphany means that God is with all of us.

Perhaps you have seen the bumper sticker, “God bless the world, no exceptions,” a message that certainly reflects this the spirit of the Epiphany.

God be with you...Emmanuel!

*Dr. Alexandra Guliano*

Parish Director



## Banns of Matrimony

Eleuterio Valdovinos and Nichole Locke will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage on January 14th.

## January Parish Pastoral Council Meeting—Change of Date

Due to the legal holiday on January 2nd, the Parish Pastoral Council will meet on January 9th at 7:00PM.

## Weekday Mass Schedule Changes

The Wednesday Evening 6:30PM Mass and Friday Morning 8:30AM Mass have been suspended. Both will resume starting February 1st.

### CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory – December 24th/25th	\$ 14,502.39
Envelopes & Offertory – Dec. 31st/January 1st	\$ 8,152.45
Maintenance Donations	\$ 1,327.00
Organ Fund Donations	\$ 825.00

Please remember St. Therese in your will!

## RCIA and Adult Confirmation Process

### RCIA Team Members Needed

Our parish community has been blessed with three adult candidates for full initiation at the Easter Vigil—April 15th, 2017 at 8:00PM. We are in need of team members to journey with our candidates. The sessions will be held on Sunday mornings, after the 9:00AM mass. If you are interested in being part of the RCIA Team, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office.

### Time to Update Our Prayer List

It’s time to update our prayer list. It is our privilege to pray for others, especially those who are going through a difficult time, are sick and suffering, or who have a special need. If you have submitted and name and would like it to remain on the prayer list for the general intercessions of mass, please contact Heather Goeden, Administrative/Pastoral Assistant by January 15th by phone, email, or US mail. Thank you!

### Please Observe No Parking Signs and Keep Entrances Unblocked for Plowing Equipment and Emergency Vehicles

It is very important that we keep our access to our church entrances with enough room for the snowplowing/de-icing equipment and emergency vehicles to have safe passage. Please observe the no parking signs and please park only in the defined parking spaces. If the markings are covered with snow, generally, please leave the entrances and approaches to the entrances free for access. We have increased our handicap parking and continue to work on recruiting “Parking Lot Helpers” to assist those who need help getting into our church. When the parking lot was redesigned, the parking spaces and access areas were carefully measured and designed so that we created the maximum number of safe parking spaces (according to code). Parking vehicles in spaces not designated is not permitted. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Snow and Weather Closings for the Parish

In the event of snow or weather closings for the parish, please check Channel 12 WISN-TV or WISN.com (WISN website) for closures. Please also note to look for “St. Therese—Milwaukee” in Milwaukee County. (Sometimes there is confusion with “St. Theresa” and “St. Therese” other cities and counties of the archdiocese.)

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

Please consider donating the February or May 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. *Months will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.* Or consider donating a mass intention. Please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office for more information.

### Donation Opportunities

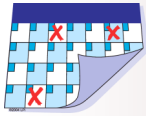
- Pick ‘N Save Gift Cards for Funeral Lunch Ministry (for the purchase of supplies)—any denomination \$25 or more.
- Daily Mass Record Book—\$36
- OttLite for the Chapel Keyboard—\$56

If you would like to donate the cost of one of these items, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office. Please indicate if the donation is in memory of or in honor of someone and if we can publish it in the bulletin.

### Fr. Roger Heck Memorial Organ Fund Account Total – As of January 2nd

Donations of \$26,900.00 + Interest of \$30.64= Total of \$26,930.64





# Parish Events for the Week

## Sunday, January 8th

### Maintenance Collection/SCRIP Order Weekend

- 8:15AM Saint Therese Choir (CH)
- 9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 10:15AM High School Catechesis (STR)
- 10:15AM Preschool-8th Grade Catechesis (UPSTAIRS)
- 10:15AM RCIA (MC)

## Monday, January 9th

- 6:00PM Saint Vincent de Paul Society (HH)
- 7:00PM Parish Pastoral Council (MC)

## Tuesday, January 10th

- 6:30PM Library Committee (LOBBY)
- 7:00PM Christian Formation Committee (STR)

## Wednesday, January 11th

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

## Thursday, January 12th

- 7:00PM Group 100 AA (MC)

## Friday, January 13th

No Meetings Scheduled

## Saturday, January 14th

### Sharing Weekend/SCRIP Pick-Up Weekend

No Meetings Scheduled

## Sunday, January 15th

### Sharing Weekend/SCRIP Pick-Up Weekend

- 9:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)
- 10:15AM Preschool-8th Grade Catechesis (UPSTAIRS)

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

## Cookie Sale Thank You

Thank you to all of the bakers (you donated over 200 pounds of cookies), the buyers, the staff for all of their extra work, and Nancy Szablewski, Christine Jensen, Rosina Sorvari and Sue Gritzmacher for making this happen again this year. We had people buy and come back for more because the cookies were sooooo very good.



We had people tell us that they were at other bake sales and ours was the best! This fundraiser was dependent upon the donations of cookies and you raised \$2,000 for St. Therese. What generous givers at such a busy time of year. The few excess boxes of cookies went to the Library display and then to Interfaith, but had the weather held, we would have sold out. We are blessed with generous and talented people.

Thank you.

## Sharing Weekend is Next Weekend - January 14th/15th

The Sharing Recipient for this month is Food for the Hungry, Inc. It's been over fourteen years since Food for the Hungry, Inc. began with the delivery of a few boxes of bread from one outlet store to one social service organization. It has grown so quickly since the ministry started. Today, we gather bread products from over 280 outlets, food stores, etc. The bread would otherwise be thrown in a dumpster. Our program delivers these items to approximately 2600 food pantries, meal programs and other social service organizations serving the poor in southeastern Wisconsin.

We have about 450 dedicated volunteers who gather and deliver bread products to those in need. Our volunteers donate their time and talent. Bread products are picked up seven days a week and delivered to our various sites within hours.

Milwaukee County is now the second poorest county in our Nation. Anyone interested in volunteering a few hours a week, can call Mike at (414) 771-0715.

I would like to thank my fellow parishioners for your continued support of this ministry.

*Michael Czarnecki*, Founder and St. Therese Parishioner

## St. Therese Music Ministry

We are blessed with an excellent music ministry here at St. Therese. If you have any comments on our ministry, please contact Paul Corrao, Pastoral Assistant for Liturgy/St. Therese Choir with any concerns or comments on the St. Therese Choir or Cherub Choir and Mary Radspinner, Coordinator of Music/Organist/Accompanist, for any comments on the Canticle Choir, Cantors, or other music concerns. Please kindly contact them *personally* and arrange to meet with them after mass or make an appointment with them for another time to discuss your comments/concerns. The Prayer and Worship Reorganization Group asks that there please be no anonymous comments or communication by email. Both Paul Corrao and Mary Radspinner can be reached at the Parish Office. Please note their telephone extensions in the front of the bulletin. Thank you for your consideration.

## 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.

### 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

## Catechesis Corner

- Our Catechesis Program, Pre-School to Grade 8 meets this Sunday, January 8th after the 9:00AM Mass.
- If you know of families whose children are not enrolled in our program please have them notify the parish office and we will contact the interested parties. Learning about our Catholic Faith is very important so that children have a solid foundation for daily life.
- We wish all of our children and families a very Happy New Year!



## Intentions & Readings for the Week



**January Sanctuary Candle**  
The Nee Family

**Sunday, January 8th**

*Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12*

**Monday, January 9th**

*Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29/Mt 3:13-17*

**Tuesday, January 10th**

*Heb 2:5-12/Rs 8/Mk 1:21-28/Rs 8/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28*

8:30AM †Mabel Pallano

**Wednesday, January 11th**

*Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105/Mk 1:29-39*

**Thursday, January 12th**

**Liturgy of the Word with Communion**

8:30AM *Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95/Mk 1:40-45*

**Friday, January 13th**

*Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78/Mk 2:1-12*

**Saturday Mass, January 14th**

*Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19/Mk 2:13-17*

5:00PM †Steven Nook

**Sunday Mass, January 15th**

*Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34*

9:00AM St. Therese Parish Community and  
†Alice Golyzniak



Alyce Breitweiser, Don Castelaz, William Clark, Joan Damato, Bryanna Elkins, Ethel Forster, Betty Hobl, JoAnne and Mark Jankowski, Pete Lovinus, Mary Jane Lucas, Matt Maccani, Kathy Manthe, Dan Marinello, Jeannie Marinello, Kim McGee, Tracie, Yvonne Moehr, Susan Monyette, Andy Nitka, Robert O'Neil, Susan Opichka, Christian Pela-Elder, Judy Rahn, Donna Ramus, Bruna Cristina Rodrigues, Edward Smith, Jane Tindal, Pius Vetter, Malia Washington, Archbishop Weakland, Duwayne Wing, Kathleen Zastrow

### A Stewardship Moment – January 7th/8th

In today's second reading we hear the teachings of Saint Paul to the members of the Church at Ephesus. He proclaims that he, and they, are stewards of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and therefore stewards of God's loving, unifying and inclusive grace. He also proclaims that the Holy Spirit is at work within each of them, if only they would be open to the Spirit. Today, our world races by with intolerance, violence, desperate poverty, fear and division. At the beginning of this New Year, perhaps it is appropriate to reflect on Saint Paul's words and ask ourselves how we can be good stewards of the Gospel today. How will we allow the Holy Spirit to work within us? How can we be better stewards of Christ's justice and peace?

### A Christmas Blessing

My Christmas Gift for You! The Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers will remember you in prayer during a Christmas Novena of Masses at Our Lady Queen of Apostles Chapel in Maryknoll, NY beginning December 17th and ending on Christmas Day.

My sister has had two surgeries at Froedtert and when we're in town from Michigan we love our little St. Therese Parish mass. It's a welcoming church and makes visitors feel at home.

*Joe & Fran Bieth*

### Dear St. Therese Parish Community

Thank you for your parish's generous donation to Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC). The women and men who join the IVC give of their time and talent - and often their treasure, too - putting their lives in service to others. And you make that possible. IVC could not do what we do without the steadfast support of our donors.

Please know that your contribution of \$586.81, which you designated to benefit IVC's Milwaukee chapter, and which we received on November 30th, you have not only given a gift to IVC to support the work we do, you have also:

- made a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in need
- helped a local social service organization to expand their capacity by adding a skilled Ignatian Volunteer to their staff, and
- provided an opportunity for Ignatian Volunteers to be transformed through service, community and Ignatian Spirituality.

From all of us at IVC and on behalf of those whose lives are brighter and more hopeful because of you, thank you for choosing the Ignatian Volunteer Corps as one of the ways you help to build a better world.

For stories of how your contribution changes lives through the work of IVC volunteers, visit our website at [www.ivcusa.org](http://www.ivcusa.org) - I promise you will be inspired. Please know we will be praying for grace, health and happiness for you and those you cherish, and we ask you to keep IVC and the people we serve in your prayers.

With our heartfelt gratitude,

*Mary McGinnity*, National Executive Director

### Canticle Choir at St. Therese

All are welcome to join the Canticle Choir. We minister at funerals, and we group cant for two to three Holy Days during the year. We are a small group with big hearts. Please join us if you feel you have a few hours each month to support our church members during their challenging time. Your presence and your voice are very much appreciated.

Rehearsals are 1:00PM–2:30PM. In lieu of summer rehearsals, we arrive 65 minutes prior to funeral services for warm-up and review. Please contact Mary Radspinner if you are interested.

### St. Therese Peace Chant: January 16th at 7:00PM

Let us rejoice in this New Year by experiencing an hour of silence and chant to instill peace within, and promote peace throughout on Monday, January 16th at 7:00PM in the Chapel. All are welcome. Contact Mary Radspinner for more information.

### Sacred Drum Circle: January 29th at 1:00PM in the Chapel

Energize your creativity and release anxiety and stress with structured and improvisational drumming followed by intuitive, expressive drawing. Learn a Breath Mindfulness skill for maintaining calm during these transitional times. Contact Mary Radspinner for more information.



## Happy New Year of Evangelization!

We are standing on the threshold of 2017, so it's time to make our New Year's resolutions. Along with the usual promises to lose weight and exercise more, what if we made some specific evangelization resolutions? What if we took some concrete action to follow and fulfill the mission Jesus gave us to be disciples who go and make new disciples? Here are Nine Evangelization Resolutions to consider for the New Year:

### Make a Personal Discipleship Plan

Disciples are made not born! That's why Jesus apprenticed His disciples for three years, and why he sent them on mission to go and "make" disciples of all nations (Mt. 28:16-20). So we, too, need training to become disciples. The best way to do that is to make a personal Discipleship Plan with Jesus as our personal trainer. To pull together your Discipleship Plan around the six habits of Catholic Intentional discipleship, go to [www.archmil.org/JohnPaulIICenter/LayFormation/Missionary-Discipleship-Institute/PersonalDiscipleshipPlan.pdf](http://www.archmil.org/JohnPaulIICenter/LayFormation/Missionary-Discipleship-Institute/PersonalDiscipleshipPlan.pdf)

### Get Equipped for Mission

Pope Francis calls us to be, not just disciples, but missionary disciples! So for disciples who want to go deeper into formation for mission, we are offering the "Institute for Missionary Discipleship." The next sessions take place on Saturday, February 11th. For information and to sign up go to: [www.johnpaul2center.org/missionarydiscipleshipinstitute.htm](http://www.johnpaul2center.org/missionarydiscipleshipinstitute.htm). (Note: The registration deadline for new participants is Monday, January 23rd.)

### Take the 1% Discipleship Challenge

This new resource introduces people to the life and promises of Jesus, engages them in reading the Scriptures, teaches them how to pray, and promotes a daily prayer habit. All of that in one attractively designed easy to use free resource! To view the 1% Challenge card, find multiple ways to use it, and order copies for your parish, go to [www.johnpaul2center.org/onepercentchallenge](http://www.johnpaul2center.org/onepercentchallenge). (*The "1% Challenge" is developed by The Evangelical Catholic in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The 1% Challenge trademark is a trademark owned by The Evangelical Catholic.*)

### Read the Entire Bible and/or Catholic Catechism in 2017

Read this helpful blog post by Brandon Vogt to choose the best bible and most effective plan for reading the entire Bible in one year. You can find resources for reading the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church in one year as well. Go to: <http://brandonvogt.com/how-to-easily-read-the-whole-bible/>

### Draw Closer to Christ through Mary this Year

This new app from "Our Sunday Visitor" is designed to accompany you on a year-long spiritual journey to draw closer to Christ with the help of our Blessed Mother. The app includes Prayers of the Rosary, Daily Marian Reflections, the Undoer of Knots Novena, the Works of Mercy, and Catholic Prayers. For more information on this free app, go to: [www.osv.com/yom](http://www.osv.com/yom)

### Know and Follow Jesus More Completely

New books by two of the preeminent Catholic evangelists are being published in 2017. Resolve to read "Jesus – The Story You Thought You Knew," by Deacon Keith Strohm (<https://www.amazon.com/Jesus-Story-You-Thought-Knew/dp/168192076X>) and "Fruitful Discipleship – Living the Mission of Jesus in the Church and World," by Sherry Weddell (<https://siena.org/bookstore>).

### Anchor Every Day in the Gospel and the Church

Get a daily email that contains a link to that day's Gospel passage and is followed by a short reflection on the passage from Bishop Robert Barron. It's short, simple, but extremely powerful. It's like getting a mini-homily each morning from Bishop Barron! Sign up FREE at [DailyCatholicGospel.com](http://DailyCatholicGospel.com).

### Draw Your Child Back to the Church

If you are a parent whose child has left the Catholic faith, you need an evangelization game plan to draw her/him back. And that's exactly what you will get in the excellent book, "Return: How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church," by Brandon Vogt. You can get the book and many helpful resources by going here: <https://helpthemreturn.com/game-plan>.

God bless!

*Rich Harter, M. T. S.*

Director of the John Paul II Center for the New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Milwaukee

## Parish Council

1st Monday of Month at 7:00PM  
[council@sainttheresemilwaukee.org](mailto:council@sainttheresemilwaukee.org)

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(414) 453-5750

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(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](http://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.*