



# 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.

August 1st, 2021

## Parish Staff

### Parish Administrator

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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 – Push 0

## Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00PM

Sunday: 9:00AM

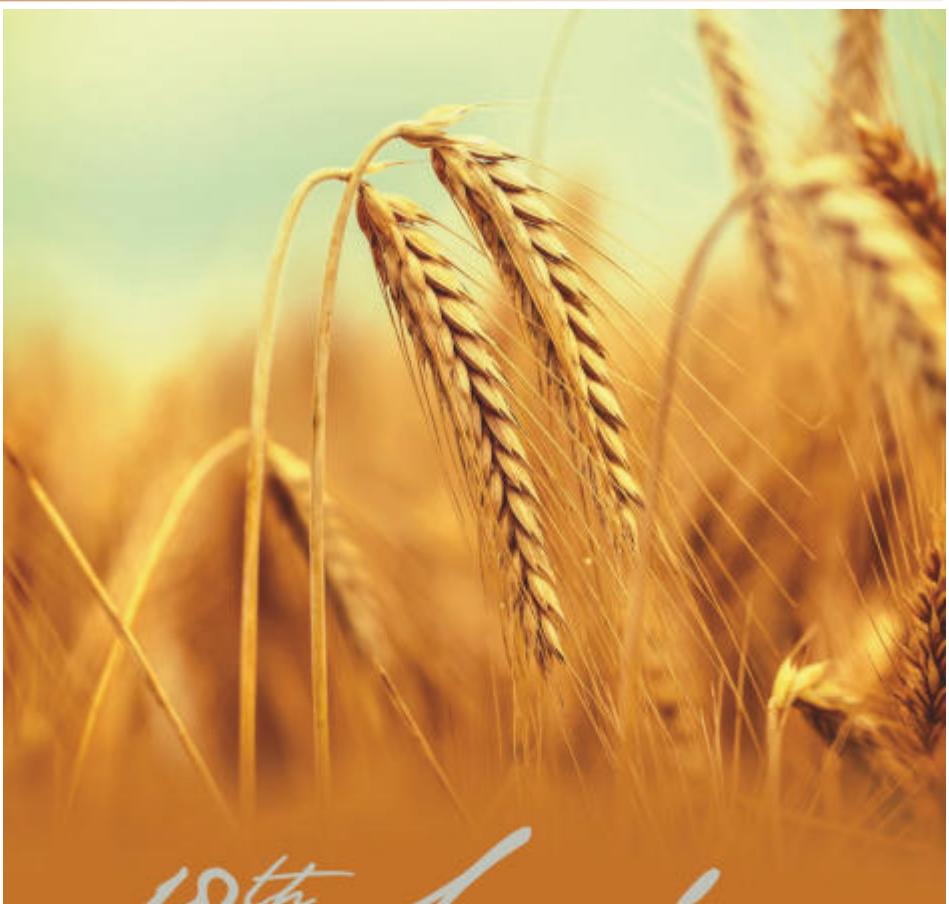
Holiday & Holyday Masses Listed Inside

Tuesday: 8:30AM in the Chapel  
*Limit of 12 People*

Per CDC guidance, fully vaccinated individuals are no longer required to wear masks in the building.

9:00AM Sunday Morning Mass is streamed via Facebook Live.

Contact Heather in the Parish Office with questions.



18<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." - Jn 6:33

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

**Reconciliation:**  
3:15PM – First Saturday of the Month

**Anointing of the Sick:**  
After Both Masses on the First Full Weekend of the Month

**All Other Sacraments:**  
Please call the Parish Office  
*Preparation can take six months or more*

## Office Hours

Mon, Tues, Wed, & Thurs:  
8:00AM–12:00PM Onsite  
12:00PM–4:00PM Remote

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday:  
Closed



"You cannot see the forest for the trees" is a widely known saying that can bring wisdom to our understanding of our journey. Often, our sight becomes limited to what is immediately before us. We lose touch with lessons and experiences from the past and promises and hope for the future. As human beings, we have the privilege of being able to choose things. What I like and don't like, want, and don't want can be major preoccupations of our minds and hearts. Our preferences and desires begin to define us more than the simple fact of our being. Who we are matters more than what we are or what we have. If we don't move beyond the external and superficial stuff to what really is of essence, we risk becoming very unsettled, disorientated,

angry, and unhappy. We fail to see the bigger picture of hope and promise that lies ahead and the Divine Presence that has sustained and carried us before.

We like it when the "now" time of our lives satisfy us. Even the people who witnessed Jesus feed the five thousand got confused and distracted. It felt good when thousands of people were able to eat. They wanted to know what they could do to get this to happen again! But Jesus quickly reminds them that this is not the point of this sign. As much as the now time of our lives is of concern, it is not what is ultimately important. We need to learn the difference between being and doing, drawing more strength from who we are and who God is rather than what is happening around us and the choices we can make. Jesus is the true bread that came down from heaven. Jesus is the very incarnate presence of God who sustains life and assures us that we will not perish. This is not easy to understand and feel. We have to practice being in the presence of ourselves, others, creation, and God. We are brought to a holy place when we encounter the sacredness of being. This is real prayer.

Then, we learn to trust. It is when we cease trusting that we start to become afraid, uncertain, apprehensive, and doubtful, and overly self-concerned. We even start to grumble. God has our back. That is the essential powerful message of the living bread come down from heaven. God, who is alpha is also omega, the beginning and the end, and has everything in between in his care as well. A woman once remarked that her most powerful God moment happened when she and her husband cuddled with their new baby for a time. Without exchanging words and using only the affection communicated through sight and touch, they rested in being with each other. This brought them to the sacred, where they realized that a greater Being was with them. It was real. They knew that they were part of something bigger, intimate, and profound. When we rest in the Living Source of life, we will find that our souls are no longer hungry or thirsty. ©LPI

## Attention: Committees, Groups, Ministries

If you haven't already, please submit meeting dates and reserve rooms for committee, group, and ministry meetings for July 2021 through June 2022. Or let me know the dates of your Zoom meetings. Meeting dates must be submitted each year (there is no "automatic" listing on the parish calendar or room reservations). Chairpersons and secretaries of committees, groups, and ministries, please make sure your 2021-2022 dates are submitted to Heather Goeden in the Parish Office no later than July 31st.



## Altered Office Hours – August

Please note the changes to the Parish Office Hours during the month of August:

- August 4th: 8:00AM to Noon; closed in the afternoon
- August 10th: 8:00AM to Noon; closed in the afternoon
- August 13th through August 22nd: 8:00AM to Noon; closed in the afternoon



## Altered Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for the August 22nd bulletin is Wednesday, August 11th at 8:30AM.

## Donation Opportunities

Please contact Heather in the Parish Office if you'd like to donate an item listed below. Also let her know if the donation is in honor or in memory of someone and if we may print an acknowledgement in the bulletin.

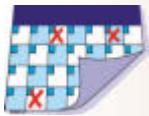
- Entrance Banner for Holy Thursday: \$35
- New Funeral Sacramental Register: \$150
- New Art & Environment Reusable Summer Décor: \$280



## CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory	\$ 2,092.00
Maintenance Donations	\$ 125.00

Please remember St. Therese in your will!



# Parish Events for the Week

## Sunday, August 1st

9:00AM Mass – Also Live Streamed on Facebook

## Monday, August 2nd

No Meetings Scheduled

## Tuesday, August 3rd

6:30PM Parish Pastoral Council (MC)

## Wednesday, August 4th

No Meetings Scheduled

## Thursday, August 5th

6:30PM Sunday Morning Catechist Meeting (atrium)

7:00PM Group 100 AA (MC)

## Friday, August 6th

No Meetings Scheduled

## Saturday, August 7th

### Maintenance Collection Weekend

4:00PM Mass

## Sunday, August 8th

### Maintenance Collection Weekend

9:00AM Mass – Also Live Streamed on Facebook

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

## Monthly Maintenance Collection

Next weekend, August 7th/8th, we have our separate Monthly Collection to replenish our parish Maintenance Fund. Since we are not taking up a collection during Mass, please consider doing one of the following:

- Drop your donation in the collection basket at the Bluemound entrance if you attend Mass.
- Donate online at <https://sainttheresemilwaukee.weshareonline.org>
- Mail your donation to the parish office.

Since inception, this separate collection has provided critical monetary resources for repairing and improving our parish's buildings and grounds. If you can't contribute to this important program next weekend, you can make a donation any of the ways listed above at any time. Thank you for your continuing support.

## Earth Stewardship: Shade Trees Update



Earth Ministry members recently weeded and re-mulched the beautiful trees on the West side of the sanctuary (see "before" and "after" pictures).



Nine (9) trees were planted by the Ministry more than 10 years ago as an eco-friendly way to help with cooling the church during hot summer days. As "good shepherds," Earth Ministry members have watered, pruned, mulched, nurtured and protected the trees, helping them thrive. The planting was featured in an article in The Catholic Herald. The article is still available at <https://catholicherald.org/?s=St+Therese+Milwaukee+Trees>. If you wish to join this ministry, contact Jim Jensen at (262) 391-0430, or join via the Stewardship Sign-up process, which culminates with "Commitment Weekend," October 2nd-3rd.

## Association for Religious Instruction, Special Education

The ARISE Program serves children, teens and adults who are challenged with disabilities by providing religious education programs such as Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation, and Post Confirmation (The Life of Jesus) that are adapted to their needs.

Starting on October 11th we will have 1:1 sacrament preparations and small groups for The Life of Jesus every Monday from 6:30PM-7:00PM in assigned classrooms. There will also be Gathering Prayer Services from 7:00PM-7:30PM in the church. This is held at St. Gregory the Great School on 60th and Oklahoma Avenue. There are winter and spring breaks and session ends on April 25th, 2022.

Looking for something rewarding to do on Monday evenings? Volunteer as a catechist! No teaching experience is needed – simple prepared materials and resources available to guide you plus orientation. Ask the 15+ volunteers that have continued to be a part of ARISE!

No charge for the lessons, but will accept donations payable to ARISE. Thanks to Knights of Columbus - West Allis for their continued financial support for over 30 years. Interested? To get an Arise Registration Form you can contact Tom and Sue Klawien, ARISE Coordinators at [ariseprogram@gmail.com](mailto:ariseprogram@gmail.com) or [stgregmil.org](http://stgregmil.org) website under Formation and Sacraments.

## Fall Hours Resume on September 7th

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday:  
8:00AM to Noon Onsite  
Noon to 4:00PM Remote
- Friday and Saturday: Closed
- Sunday: 10:00AM to 11:30AM



## Catechesis Corner

- If you know of a family who could be invited and benefit from our Religious Education program, please call the parish office and we will contact them.
- We are in need of Aides for our Religious Education program. Training is provided according to the Safe Environment requirements for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Our classes are small and our children are grateful for this Catholic Faith Formation. We anticipate an in person program starting September 19th. Call the Parish Office if you can serve as an Aide or if you know of a family who could benefit from this program and needs an invitation.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 6th for the Labor Day holiday.



# Intentions & Readings for the Week



## August Sanctuary Candle

†Mary Ann Krebs

## Sunday, August 1st

*Nm 16:24, 12-15/Ps 78:34, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35*

## Monday, August 2nd

*Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [2a]/Mt 14:13-21*

## Tuesday, August 3rd

*Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 [cf. 3a]/Mt 14:22-36*

8:30AM A Special Intention

## Wednesday, August 4th

*Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Mt 15:21-28*

## Thursday, August 5th

*Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Mt 16:13-23*

## Friday, August 6th

*Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [la and 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10*

## Saturday Mass, August 7th

*Dn 6:4-13/Ps 18: 28, 3-4, 47 and 51/Mk 17:14-20*

4:00PM St. Therese Parish Community

## Sunday Mass, August 8th

*1 Kgs 19:48/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51*  
9:00AM †Madelyn L. Bohnaker



Bella Arndt, Tom & Todd Batzler, Mary Ann Brahm, Alyce Breitweiser, Michael Czarnecki, Kylie Doyne, Jan Eno, Gayle Falk, Ethel Forster, Greg Gorak, Mary Jane Holck, Ronnie Kercheski, Pete Lovinus, Kathy Manthe, Kim McGee, Kaity Shields, Edward Smith, Mary Beth Stabo, Robert Szablewski, Crystal Webb, Brandon Wing, Duwayne Wing

Born to Eternal Life: †Mary Ann Monville

## Have You Signed Up for Online Giving?

If you haven't done so already, now is a great time to sign up for online giving through WeShare. Simply click on the Online Giving link on our website to set up your account. If you decide to give exclusively online and no longer want/need to receive the weekly envelopes, please contact Heather in the Parish Office. Any questions or concerns can be directed to Heather in the Parish Office.

## Involving Young People in Sacred Liturgy is Good Stewardship

Has your teen recently celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation? Are you trying to persuade your college age young adult to go to Mass? Now that we are slowly returning to the Eucharistic celebration, isn't it time to get them more deeply involved in the Mass? It is no secret that one of the best ways for a young person to nurture a greater love for the Eucharist is by a more active participation in the liturgy.

Pastoral leaders have sought for many years to encourage greater participation by young people in the Mass and a national dialogue has recently been renewed on how to get teenagers more involved in the Church's celebration of the Eucharist. Involvement by young people can include a number of liturgical activities, for example:

- Ushers
- Ministers of Hospitality
- Lectors/Readers
- Altar servers
- Cantors
- Musicians
- Choir members

As good stewards of the faith life of teenagers and young adults, let's identify their gifts and invite them to a fuller participation at the table of the Lord. Get them involved. Make them feel as though they are welcome as mature, responsible stewards of the life of the parish family. They will be enriched by the experience, and so will the faith community.

*From the International Catholic Stewardship Council - Catholic Stewardship July 2021 - e-Bulletin*

## Cor Unum - Master's Degree in Systematics

Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology offers a master's degree in systematics - theology for laity. Completed in 22 months, it is designed for busy people. Twelve applicants are accepted and go through the program together, meeting Monday evenings and three Saturdays per semester.

This is not just an academic degree; spiritual, human and pastoral formation is also incorporated into this program, with the goal that you take what you learn out in service. The seminary generously supplements the tuition, charging only \$8,500 from the cost of \$20,460.

Contact Monica Misey to set-up a Zoom Meet and Greet with Dr. Mike Brummond, director of the program. Learn more at <https://www.shsst.edu/cor-unum/>.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends

Join us for a virtual WWME experience from the comfort of your home. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend offers married couples an opportunity to get off the treadmill of life and focus on each other. It is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God.

Upcoming in-person Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are August 20th-22nd in Madison, WI; and September 17th-19th in Geneva, IL. There are also virtual experiences on September 13th to October 4th and November 13th-14th. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [alifetimeoflove.org](http://alifetimeoflove.org) or call (888) 574-5653.

*St Therese follows a no weapons policy inside the facility at all times. If you are a concealed carry permit holder please secure your weapons in your vehicle, using proper law enforcement guidelines, prior to attending mass and/or other events in the facility.*

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Your financial help serves to ignite, renew and energize Catholic life across southeastern Wisconsin. Gifts of all sizes are welcome and needed. To donate, text APPEAL2021 to 414-348-8380, give online at [www.catholicappeal.org](http://www.catholicappeal.org) or mail your contribution to the Catholic Stewardship Appeal, 3501 S. Lake Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53207.



### Solemnity of the Assumption – August 15th

Sunday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption, a holyday of obligation. This year, the obligation to the Holyday supersedes the Sunday obligation. Mass for the Holyday will be celebrated at 4:00PM on Saturday and 9:00AM on Sunday. All are welcome.

## Stewardship of Treasure Embrace the Little Way More

You have experienced the fruits of your contributions despite the social distancing needed since Covid 19. Whether you dropped it off, mailed, or used on line giving through We Share you contributed. The liturgy at St. Therese was provided virtually or safely in church, meetings were held to enable continuation and running of the parish. The church environment and community are here for you.

So now, can you reflect on your treasure of money which enabled you to appreciate the tangible gifts of God necessary for life? In that understanding, commit to a little more with your treasure. It is the multiple Little Ways that make St. Therese parish what it is and can be for your faith life. So again, look at the Little Ways you can support the parish through powerful prayer, your involvement in important ministries/committees, and your financial resources. Because every way you look at it, a little bit more embraces God's Kingdom and makes it visible at St. Therese Parish.

### St. Therese Needs You!

Our parish has always had a strong commitment to service, and parishioners have always stepped forward to help out when the need arises. The Parish Pastoral Council would like to thank all those who give of their time and talents to serve on committees and help out in so many ways.

At this time, as we are coming back from COVID-19, we have identified a number of essential needs, and we are asking for your help. The Parish Pastoral Council has five (5) openings; Five (5) classroom aids are needed for the Catechesis program, and there are a number of other ministry positions that are currently vacant. For further information, see the job board at the Bluemound entrance or the parish website at [www.sttheresemke.org/jobs21](http://www.sttheresemke.org/jobs21).

### Would You Consider Being A Reading Tutor?

If you enjoy working with children and are looking for a way to make a lasting difference in a child's life, this could be the perfect volunteer opportunity. The Ignatian Volunteer Corp, affiliated with the Jesuit order, is seeking volunteers who are willing to give two hours a week during the school day to help struggling students learn to read. Each tutor works one-on-one with the same students throughout the school year so meaningful relationships can develop.

Volunteer tutors are needed at Seton Catholic Schools in Milwaukee, beginning in September 2021.

- St. Catherine (51st and Center St.)
- St. Rafael – 2 campuses (S. 31st St. and S. 32nd St. and Lincoln)
- St. Roman – (S. 20th and W. Bolivar)
- Catholic East (N. Murray Ave. and E. Greenwich Ave.)
- Northwest Catholic (N. 41st and Good Hope Rd.)

Training and learning modules give volunteers the support they need to succeed. If you'd like to learn more, contact Kathleen Mantz at [kathleen.mantz@gmail.com](mailto:kathleen.mantz@gmail.com)

### Parish Pastoral Council

1st Tuesday of the Month at 6:30PM

To contact a Parish Pastoral Council Member, send an email to [council@sttheresemke.org](mailto:council@sttheresemke.org) or leave a message for them in the parish office.

**Chairperson**

Tim Schwaller

**Vice Chairperson**

Kevin Stannis

**Secretary**

Joe Schlater

**Trustees**

Tom Molosky (414) 254-1161

Kathy Hubrich (414) 839-2669

**Members-At-Large**

Richard Hopfle Catherine Pinto

**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 Coeden 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/prayer list](http://sainttheresemilwaukee.org/prayer list) 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.*

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