

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 23rd, 2022

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator

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Ministers – All the Members of the Parish

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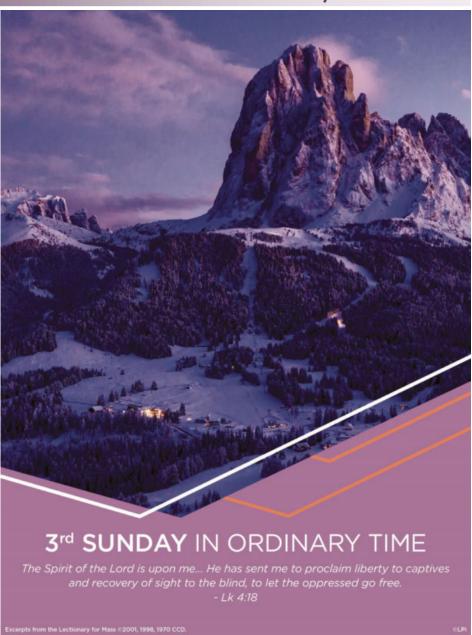
Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00PM Sunday: 9:00AM Holiday & Holyday Masses Listed Inside

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

Per CDC guidance, we encourage everyone to wear masks in the building, regardless of vaccination status.

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



Lectionary for mass (2001, 1996, 19

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: Closed

Sunday: 10:00AM—11:30AM Onsite *Any changes to the hours are listed inside.*

Welcome to Saint Therese Catholic Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

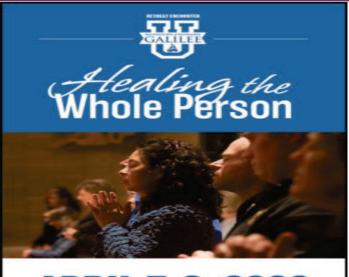


Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of

His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away. ©LPi



APRIL 7-9, 2022

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www.archmil.org/healing-the-whole-person Participate In Person or Virtually



CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory \$ 9,051.00 Sharing Weekend \$ 30.00 Maintenance Donations \$ 500.00

Please remember St. Therese in your will!

Thank You

To the anonymous donor of four boxes of disposable masks.

Ministers Needed

We thank the group of dedicated ministers who help out each weekend and encourage you to join them! Please consider either rejoining or joining one of our Liturgical Ministries: Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, or Hospitality Ministers. Some of the ministries have been reconfigured to work for our current needs. Training is provided. Contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office for more information.

Lenten Giving - Help Needed

Are you looking for a way to serve St. Therese that won't take up a lot of your time? Please consider chairing Lenten Giving. For more information call Mary Sanger at (414) 425-2028 as she would co-chair with you this year.

Schedule a Mass Intention

Please consider scheduling a mass intention in memory of a loved one or in honor of an anniversary or special event. Most weekend Masses are full for 2022. Please contact the Parish Office to see what dates are open. There are still quite a few weekday Masses open. Please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office to schedule your Mass intentions.

Donation Opportunity

• Disposable Masks: \$10/box or \$50 for 5 boxes

Snow and Weather Closings

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. Theresa" other cities and counties of the archdiocese.)

January 23rd, 2022 1 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sunday, January 23rd

9:00AM Mass – Also Live Streamed on Facebook

10:00AM Sunday Morning Catechesis Preschool – Grade 8 Program (VIRTUAL)

10:00AM High School Program (VIRTUAL)

Monday, January 24th

6:00PM Saint Vincent de Paul Society (MC)

Tuesday, January 25th

6:30PM Prayer & Worship Committee (VIRTUAL)

Wednesday, January 26th

No Meetings Scheduled

Thursday, January 27th

7:00PM Group 100 AA (MC)

Friday, January 28th

No Meetings Scheduled

Saturday, January 29th

4:00PM Mass

Sunday, January 30th

9:00AM Mass – Also Live Streamed on Facebook

10:00AM Sunday Morning Catechesis Preschool –

Grade 8 Program (VIRTUAL)

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

Summer Youth Missionaries - Apply Today!

Are you interested in spending your summer getting paid to evangelize, grow spiritually, and make life-long friends? Apply to serve with one of our summer youth programs - Love Begins Here and Totus Tuus - today!

Love Begins Here provides local service trips for middle and high school students at parishes throughout the Archdiocese. Through service, prayer, community, and fun, Love Begins Here helps teens encounter the foundation of Christian service: a loving relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.

Totus Tuus offers a week-long, parish-based summer youth mission for students in grades 1-12 for parishes throughout the Archdiocese. A team of four missionaries teach and facilitate a catechetical program for parish youth through songs, skits, games, and short lessons.

Both positions receive a weekly stipend, room and board while working. Must be 18 and a full year removed from high school to apply. Learn more about both programs and apply at http://www.brewcitycatholic.com/summeropportunities.html

Toxic PFAS in Wisconsin

At least 50 communities in Wisconsin have identified contamination by PFAS (Per- and Poly-Fluoro Alkyl Substances), including Milwaukee. Most recently, in October 2021, the City of Eau Claire shut down half of its city wells due to PFAS concerns. As there are thousands of PFAS, only some of them have been studied extensively. However, there is a consensus that they do not belong in our drinking water. The Environmental Protection Agency is moving to set limits on PFAS via the Safe Drinking Water Act. PFAS can be removed from drinking water four different ways: granular activated carbon, powdered activated carbon, ion exchange resins, and nanofiltration with reverse osmosis. These can be used in water treatment facilities, water systems in large complexes, and at least one of the methods in homes. The most equitable solution is one in which all drinking water becomes safe. Meanwhile if you choose to filter water in your home, research carefully, recognizing that not all home systems remove PFAS and that the variety in filters is in part because of the variety of potential contaminants.

Year of Service for Young Adults

The Riverwest Food Pantry is seeking Young Adults ages 21-26 with any background of study and open to Catholic Spiritual teaching to serve at our Community Food Center. Mission interns live full year rooted in faith and social justice through prayer, community, and service in the Catholic tradition. For more information, check out: https://www.riverwestfoodpantry.org/missionhouse or contact Samantha Vosters at: samantha@riverwestfoodpantry.org

Do you know someone over 30 who might have a vocation?

Some men mistakenly assume priesthood is not an option because they had been married, had children, lacked a college degree, or thought they were "too old" or "not good enough." Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology has been forming men over age 30 since 1970, and is hosting Zoom "Meet & Greets" for anyone that might want to learn more. Join one of our informal conversations: https://www.shsst.edu/vocation/. Contact Deacon Steve Kramer for more information: skramer@shsst.edu or (414)858-4767.



Catechesis Corner

- Due to the uptick in COVID-19 cases in the area, we have moved our Sunday Morning Age 3 through Grade 8 program virtual through January 30th. Materials and login information have been sent to the families. Anyone with questions should contact Heather in the Parish Office.
- We will reevaluate the numbers at the end of the month to determine if we will resume meeting in person or continue meeting virtually.

January 23rd, 2022 1 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intentions & Readings for the Week

January Sanctuary Candle †Mary Ann Monville

Sunday, January 23rd

Neh 8:24a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday, January 24th

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 25th

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

8:30AM The Litzau Family

Wednesday, January 26th

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 27th

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 28th

2 Sm 11:14a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bccl-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday Mass, January 29th

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

4:00PM †George Graf

Sunday Mass, January 30th

Jer 1:45, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Lk 4:21-30

9:00AM St. Therese Parish Community



Matt Bell, Alyce Breitweiser, Brandon Choe, Michael Czarnecki, Ashley Deluca & Family, Kylie Doyne, Gayle Falk, Ethel Forster, Mary Jane Holck, Diane Janosch, Judy Johnson, Ronnie Kerchefski, Pete Lovinus, Kim McGee, Rich Sanger, Kaity Shields, Edward Smith, Mary Beth Stabo, Robert Szablewski, JoAnne Van de Casteele, Crystal Webb, Duwayne Wing

Born to Eternal Life: †Ann Willis

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CREEP DOWN INTO
THE HEART OF JESUS.
HE ALONE CAN
COMFORT YOU IN
YOUR SUPREME
HOUR OF SORROW.

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St. Marianne Cope

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – January 18-25

"We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship Him." - Matthew 2:2



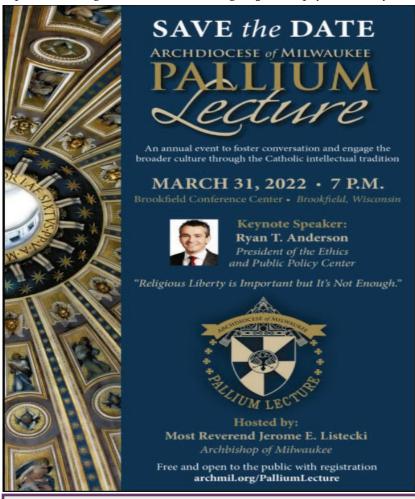
The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 was selected by the Middle East Council of Churches and originates from the churches in Lebanon. The theme expresses the Eastern Churches' tradition of joining Epiphany to the mystery of the Baptism of Christ, a baptism all Christians hold in common as testimony to their faith in the Son of God. Present times in Lebanon are extremely difficult and economically disastrous. All this combined with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic have made the situation quite stressful. The power of prayer in

solidarity with those who suffer is a demonstration of Christian unity and a sign of communion.

(from the website of the Graymoor Ecumenical and Interreligious Institute)

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. In preparation for the WPCU, ecumenical partners in a particular region were asked to prepare a basic text on a biblical theme. By annually observing the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (cf. John 17:21)

https://www.uscb.org/committees/ecumenical-interreligious-affairs/week-prayer-dristian-unity-2022



St Therese follows a no weapons policy inside the facility at all times. If you are a conceal 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.

January 23rd, 2022 | 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear. Fr. Koyickal,

Congratulations on reaching your parish's goal for the 2021 Catholic Stewardship Appeal. Thank you so much for making the CSA a priority in your parish.

The funds raised support for so many important ministries and programs across the ten counties of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

You and your parishioners have done an outstanding job supporting the work and mission of the Church through your spirit of giving through the Appeal. Your generosity makes a real difference in people's lives and in the Church. I am so grateful for your efforts. Thank You!

May God bless you, your parishioners, and your parish.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Derome E. Kistecki

Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecki Archbishop of Milwaukee

A Stewardship Moment

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 22nd/23rd

Today's reading from the Gospel of Luke offers us the first words of Jesus as he begins his public ministry. The words reflect his understanding of his Spirit-anointed mission. His words are his "Mission Statement." Good stewards rejoice in being followers of Jesus. They realize that Jesus' commission is their commission as well. They embrace it and adopt it as their own. We, too, have "glad tidings" to bring to a suffering world. This year, how will we fulfill Christ's commission in the world in which he has placed us, using the gifts he has entrusted to us?

Cor Unum - Master's Degree in Systematics

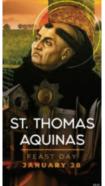
Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology offers a master's degree in systematics - theology for laity. Completed in 22 months, it is designed for busy people. Twelve applicants are accepted and go through the program together, meeting Monday evenings and 3 Saturdays per semester.

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/.

St. Thomas Aquinas | January 28

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.



His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The Summa Theologiae, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today. ©LPi

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 or leave a
message for them in the parish office.

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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/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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