



The Faith Community of

ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OUR PARISH MISSION

We are a welcoming Christian family committed to Catholic values, responding to the call of Christ revealed in the diversity of human need. We practice a conscious, living, active faith in a community whose source of strength is the Eucharist.

Miraculous Prayer to the Little Flower

O Little flower of Jesus, ever consoling troubled souls with heavenly graces, in our unfailing intercessions I place my confident trust. From the heart of our Divine Savior, petition the blessings of which I stand in greatest need.....Shower upon me your promised roses of virtue and grace, Dear St. Therese, so that swiftly advancing in sanctity and perfect love of neighbor, I may someday receive the crown of life eternal.

Amen



26th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'" - Lk 16:31

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September 29, 2019 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. THERESE the LITTLE FLOWER: Feast Day Tuesday Oct. 1

Therese of Lisieux was born in France in 1873. She was the youngest of five daughters. Her parents, Louis and Zélie Martin, were most loving parents; they were also very devout and holy; in fact, they are now saints - the first married couple in the Church to be canonized at the same time – just 3 years ago, on Oct. 18, 2015.

Therese's mother Marie died of breast cancer when Therese was only 4 ½ years old, an event that truly saddened her and crushed her spirit. Her 16 year old sister Pauline became her second mother – but 5 years later she entered the Carmelite convent; then her other sisters, Marie and Leonie, left to join religious orders (the Carmelites and Poor Clares, respectively), and Therese was left alone with her last sister, Celine (who also later entered religious life) and her father. The Martin family, we can say, was a family of saints: the cause for canonization for all Therese's sisters is ongoing.



In the person of St. Therese we see both the frailty of our fallen human nature, and the tremendous strength of will – assisted by God's grace – to overcome our shortcomings. By nature, Therese was overly sensitive and very emotional: As a child she would burst into tears every time she even imagined that someone was criticizing her or didn't appreciate her.

Therese wanted to enter the Carmelite convent to join her sisters Pauline and Marie; but how could she convince others that she could handle the rigors of Carmelite life, if she couldn't handle her own emotional outbursts? With great confidence, she had prayed that Jesus would help her, and He did: On Christmas Day, 1886, at age fourteen, she received a great grace to be free of her oversensitivity. In her autobiography she referred to this Christmas as her "conversion."

Therese's bold confidence in God's loving Providence and her strength of will is evident in the story of her entry into Carmelites. When the superior of the Carmelite convent refused to take Therese because she was too young, Therese appealed to the bishop. When the bishop also said no, she decided to go right to the Pope. Therese went on a pilgrimage to Rome with her father and sister. The Pope at that time (mid-1880's) was Leo XIII. Therese and her father were granted an audience with the Pope. When they had been forbidden her to speak to him but that didn't stop Therese. As soon as she got near him, she begged that he let her enter the Carmelite convent. She had to be carried out by two of the guards!

The Vicar General who had seen her resolute spirit intervened and Therese was admitted to the Carmelite convent that her sisters Pauline and Marie had already joined. This began a horrible time of suffering, for she experienced such dryness in prayer that she stated: "Jesus isn't doing much to keep the conversation going."

She knew as a Carmelite nun she would never be able to perform great deeds. "Love proves itself by deeds, so how am I to show my love? Great deeds are forbidden me. The only way I can prove my love is by scattering flowers and these flowers are every little sacrifice, every glance and word, and the doing of the least actions for love." She took every opportunity to make some sacrifice, no matter how small it would seem. She smiled at the sisters she didn't like. She ate everything she was given without complaining - so that she was often given the worst leftovers. These little sacrifices cost her more than bigger ones, for these went unrecognized by others.

Therese didn't want to just be good, she wanted to be a saint. She thought there must be a way for people living hidden, little lives like hers. "I have always wanted to become a saint. Unfortunately when I have compared myself with the saints, I have always found that there is the same difference between the saints and me as there is between a mountain whose summit is lost in the clouds and a humble grain of sand trodden underfoot by passers-by. Instead of being discouraged, I told myself: God would not make me wish for something impossible and so, in spite of my littleness, I can aim at being a saint. It is impossible for me to grow bigger, so I put up with myself as I am, with all my countless faults. But I will look for some means of going to heaven by a little way which is very short and very straight, a little way that is quite new. So I sought in Holy Scripture some direction and I read these words: 'Whosoever is a little one, come to me.' It is your arms, Jesus, that are the lift to carry me to heaven. And so there is no need for me to grow up: I must stay little and become less and less."

She worried about her vocation: "Considering the mystical body of the Church [and all its parts], I desired to see myself in them all. Charity gave me the key to my vocation. I understood that the Church had a Heart and that this Heart was burning with love. I understood that Love comprised all vocations, . . . that it embraced all times and places. . . . Then I cried out: O Jesus, my Love . . . my vocation, at last I have found it. My vocation is Love!"

In 1896, she coughed up blood: tuberculosis. Her pain became so great that she said that if she had not had faith she would have taken her own life. But she tried to remain smiling and cheerful - and succeeded so well that some thought she was only pretending to be ill. Her faith inspired her to say that after her death she would help others: "My heaven will be spent on earth." She died on September 30, 1897 at the age of 24. Her only book, published after her death, was a brief edited version of her journal called *Story of a Soul*, which became a bestseller. In 1925 was canonized a saint. Popes have called her the "greatest saint in the modern era."

Fr. Campbell's Wednesday morning 6 am Men's Bible Study: 6am in the meeting room of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School. Bring a Bible & Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC). We study the upcoming Sunday Scriptures.

PRAY for the SICK in our PARISH, and visit them if possible: Jan Petrin, Diana Sauter, Josephine Gombar, Germaine Brennan, Gerry Buhnerkempe, Guy Turco, Sue Krawtowicz, Rebecca Dugan, Eleanor DeCesaro, Maria Miller, Pat Ware, Ben Evangelista, Catherine Meyer, Eileen Johnson, Melanie Johnson and Daniel Lenegar. If anyone knows of any other sick persons in our parish, please call the rectory 262-694-4695.

Save the Date--Holiday Hoopla

Holiday Hoopla is returning on **Dec 14 and Dec 15.** It will include a craft and vendor fair over the 2-day period as well as a spaghetti dinner, bake sale, and visit with Santa. Money raised is used to support St Therese Church and the American Cancer Society via the St Therese Relay for Life team. If you are interested in a booth for the craft/vendor fair, contact Rob Jenewein for details at 262-945-0129. Watch the bulletin for additional details on the event as it approaches.

Community Outreach collection for the month of September is for St. Elizabeth/St. James Food Pantry. Serving the the Kenosha community for over 20 years to provide food & other necessities for the home to those unable to provide for themselves. **Needs:** All non-perishable food items, toilet tissue, paper towels, personal hygiene items. Monetary donations are also welcome and may be placed in the Community Outreach box.

Pope's Prayer Intention for September. Universal: That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

Sign up for FLOCKNOTE! To sign up: Send the word LOOP (typed in all caps) as text message to this address: 84576. Then you will be in our parish "loop."

Parish Support

Weekend of September 22, 2019

\$3,572.25

Budgeted weekly need...	\$4,327.00
Weekly offertory	\$3,572.25
Over/Under budget	\$(754.75)
Plan YTD	\$34,615.00
Actual	\$35,777.00
Excess (2 months)	\$1,162.00

8-PART COURSE on The Mystical City of God (The Divine Life of the Most Holy Virgin) by Ven. Mary of Agreda (1602-1666) begins Tuesday, Oct. 8, 7pm at St. Therese Church, Kenosha. Mary of Agreda was a mystic who received revelations on events of the life of the Bl. Virgin Mary & other topics (e.g., creation of the world, Lucifer's rebellion). We'll use a new abridged version of Mary of Agreda's work, **The Divine Life of the Most Holy Virgin;** copies available to purchase at \$17 at St. Therese Church & Mt. Carmel Church prior to 1st class & at class; or order the e-book (\$6.98) at tanbooks.com. Call St. Therese to register: 262-694-4695.

Congratulations to the newly Baptized at St. Therese: Benjamin Skurski son of Jacob Skurski & Sarah Christensen

There will be a **Fifth Sunday Collection** for the Community Outreach of St. Therese this weekend **Sept. 28 & 29.**



Saint Francis Day Blessings of Pets
Friday, October 4th
5:30pm in front of church

ALL-NIGHT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 1ST FRIDAY OCT. 4—SAT. OCT. 5

Adoration begins on Friday after 8am Mass, and continues all day and throughout the night, and ends Saturday morning at 6am. We invite people to come and spend an hour in silent, prayerful adoration before Our Lord in the Eucharist, where we can speak with Jesus, heart to Heart. If you've never spent time in Eucharistic Adoration, please consider doing so this coming First Friday-Saturday. Signup sheets are on the table to right as you enter the church. Jesus invites us: **"Can you stay awake with me one hour?"**



"First Saturday, Oct. 5 at Mt. Carmel Church, 8:30 am Mass followed by First Saturday devotions with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Holy Rosary."

ANNUAL EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

please join us on **Sunday, October 6th at 1:30 pm.** There are three stops included with prayer and reflection. The final stop is at Holy Rosary Church. Any question please call St. peter's parish office at (262) 551-9004.

MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, September 30

8:00 AM † Priest Intention

Tuesday, October 1

8:00 AM † Priest Intention

Wednesday, October 2

5:45 PM † Robert Maciejewski (CWC)

Thursday, October 3

8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, October 4

8:00 AM † Priest Intention

Saturday, October 5

4:00 PM † Betty Weinberger (Arlene Bella)

† Joseph & Carmella Sturino (Family)

Sunday, October 6

8:30 AM † Dan & Sharon Tack (Lucille Thomsen)

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

**Readings for the Week of
September 29, 2019**

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1

Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and

22-23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec

8:23]/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Mt

18:1-5, 10

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10,

11 [9ab]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-

16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37

[34]/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/2

Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 2:45 pm
Closed Friday**

Please submit bulletin announcements in writing to the Parish Office or e-mail to valang@tds.net by 9:00 AM Thursday of the week before publication.

PRIVACY LAWS: Please notify the Parish Office if you or a family member is in the hospital, nursing home, hospice, etc. With the new privacy laws, medical institutions will not call unless you ask them to notify the Parish. If you would like a home visit, please call the Parish Office or Homebound Ministry.

Parish Directory

Weekend Masses	Saturday Evening	4:00 PM
	Sunday Morning	8:30 & 10:30 AM
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday & Friday	8:00 AM
	Wednesday	5:45 PM
	No 8:00 AM Mass on Thursday or Saturday	
Holy Day Masses	Please consult Sunday bulletin.	
Confessions	Saturday	3:00 to 3:45 PM
	Sunday	8:00 to 8:15, 10:00 to 10:15 AM
First Fridays	Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 AM Friday to 6:00 AM Saturday	
Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions (Follow the Wednesday 5:45 PM Mass)		
Parish Telephones	Parish Office	262-694-4695
	Fax	262-694-7284
	Rel. Ed. Coord.	262-705-9097
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Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor.....	Mary E. Vestal

Parish Pastoral Council

Robert Beales, Trustee Treasurer	Kristen Kelly
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Rita Van Guyse, Secretary	Claudia Volpentesta

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Adults or children interested in baptism, reception into the Catholic Church, Confirmation and/or First Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

Baptism Please call the Parish Office to arrange for Baptism. Those who wish to have a child baptized must be attending Sunday Mass regularly for at least four months.

Marriage Please call the Pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements. Couples who are sharing the same abode will be asked to live separately prior to their marriage.

Home Visitation Anyone unable to attend Mass because of sickness/old age, contact the Parish Office.

Estate Planning Please keep St. Therese in mind when planning your estate. This is a wonderful gift that will last many years.