



The Faith Community of

# ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

CATHOLIC CHURCH



## 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?” - Lk 18:8

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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*

October 20, 2019 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## The Illustrious History of Our Lady of Victory

Jane Stannus October 7, 2019 1 Peter 5

There's a famous church in Paris dedicated to *all* the victories of Our Lady, past, present, and future: Notre Dame des Victoires. Mozart liked to say his rosary there when he was in town, and the family of St. Thérèse had close ties to it: they had a no-vena of Masses said when their little girl was ill, and St. Thérèse herself came there on a pilgrimage of thanksgiving after her recovery. Notre Dame des Victoires was built in thanksgiving for Louis XIII's defeat of the Protestant Huguenots at the Siege of La Rochelle — which, like Lepanto, was a victory of the rosary. During the war, Louis had ordered rosary processions throughout the kingdom; his queen, Anne of Austria, made a point of being seen at a public rosary every day, and over 15,000 sets of beads were reportedly handed out to Louis's army.

With a classical façade and iron palings out front, it's not the most impressive church in Paris. But step through the painted doorway, and you'll find yourself in another world. Light and shadow, candles and pillars, archways and side-altars, stained glass and statues — everything melts into a timelessly Catholic sensation of peace and prayer. Along the top of the walls are inscribed Latin invocations to Our Lady; above the high altar we read *Regina sine labe concepta*: Queen conceived without sin.

Not sure if Our Lady has time to deal with your troubles? Start reading the thousands — and thousands — of ex votos that line the walls, testifying to graces obtained. There are 37,170, to be exact, in a variety of languages, with dates all the way up to the present. They record every kind of blessing under the sun: conversions, cures, children born, loved ones regained, soldiers kept safe, prisoners freed. There is a wall of military decorations here, too, left by grateful soldiers at Our Lady's feet — in more Catholic times, officers used to come to this church to consecrate their swords to her. Perhaps some still do.

But Notre Dame des Victoires is unique for another reason: Our Lady chose it to be especially dedicated to her Immaculate Heart, which is where the 19<sup>th</sup>-century parish priest Fr. Desgenettes comes in. Those were anticlerical days; hardly anyone bothered to come to Mass. After four years of seemingly fruitless labor in the parish, Fr. Desgenettes was terribly discouraged and felt tempted to resign. But one day while saying Mass at the altar of Our Lady of Victories, he heard an interior voice: "Consecrate your parish to the Most Holy and Immaculate Heart of Mary."

On his knees after Mass, he began to think it was only his imagination. "If I keep this up... I'll end up a visionary," he told himself severely — when, to his shock, the same voice repeated the command. Then a notion, seemingly fully formed, sprang into his mind: that of forming a pious association to pray for the conversion of sinners through the intercession of the Immaculate Heart. Unable to get the idea out of his head, he yielded. At High Mass the next Sunday, with the bishop's approval, Fr. Desgenettes announced a first meeting of the new pious association after Vespers that evening. There were barely a dozen people at Mass, and he wasn't optimistic. But when evening came, to his amazement, he found almost 500 people gathered in the pews — the congregation size they normally had only at Christmas and Easter. After he had explained the goals of the new pious association and begun Benediction, they began to sing, and they were soon responding to the Litany of Loreto with fervor. Within the first days of the canonical establishment of the association, 240 signed up. The pope soon raised the association to the Archconfraternity of Notre Dame des Victoires.

Between the consecration of the parish to the Immaculate Heart and the new archconfraternity, Notre Dame des Victoires found itself at the heart of a new surge of Marian devotion throughout France. In 1853, in gratitude to French soldiers who had helped put down a Roman revolt against the pope, Pius IX declared that the statue of Our Lady of Victories was to be honored by a formal papal coronation, the first time such a privilege was granted to a French shrine. His delegate brought with him Pius IX's gift: a magnificent pair of gold crowns for the statues of Our Lady and the Infant, studded with rubies, emeralds, topazes, lapis lazuli, and jacinth, symbolizing at once royalty and victory.

The annals of Notre Dame des Victoires became a veritable Who's Who of 19<sup>th</sup>-century Catholicism. Among the first to sign up for the new archconfraternity were Dom Prosper Guéranger and St John Vianney, who would later register the names of his entire parish. St. Don Bosco said Mass at the altar of Our Lady of Victories, where he was told in a vision, "This sanctuary is a house of blessings and graces." The first gatherings of the Nocturnal Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament took place at the altar, organized by renowned concert pianist and Jewish convert Herman Cohen.

Another Jewish convert, Theodore Ratisbonne, became a priest and then vicar of the parish of Notre Dame des Victoires. He believed that the prayers of the archconfraternity were responsible for the miraculous conversion of his freethinking brother Alphonse. Even John Henry Newman had history with Notre Dame des Victoires. He stopped by on his way to Rome in 1848 to thank Our Lady for his recent conversion. He, too, had been the subject of the archconfraternity's prayers. They were overjoyed to meet him and reportedly charmed by his modesty and simplicity.

In troubled times, it's consoling to reflect on the immense power Our Lady has both to avert disaster and to repair the seemingly irreparable. Notre Dame des Victoires bears witness to past and present victories of grace. Consecrated as it is to her Immaculate Heart, it is also a sign of her great victory in the future, predicted at Fatima: "In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph."

Not for nothing was Our Lady called the Destroyer of all Heresies by St. Pius X. Not for nothing is she called terrible as an army in battle array. And let's remember that whatever legless heresies come crawling out of the Amazonian jungles or Teutonic fens, they'll be no more than withered grass in the morning of her victory.

**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, William Wasurick, Lorraine Flasch, Mary Jo Koski, Sandra Reider and Daniel Lenegar. If anyone knows of any other sick persons in our parish, please call the rectory 262-694-4695.

**Holy Name** will be having a meeting on **Oct 27** after the 8:30 mass in the hall. All men of the parish are welcome.

**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 October is for Frank & Brass Elementary Schools.** Providing students with cold weather comfort as winter approaches. **Needs:** New winter hats, gloves, mittens and/or scarves to be shared with all needy students in our Community. Monetary donations are also welcome and may be placed in the Community Outreach box.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for October. Evangelization:** That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.  
**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 October 13, 2019

	<b>\$4,088.45</b>
Budgeted weekly need...	\$4,327.00
Weekly offertory	\$4,088.45
<b>Over/Under budget</b>	\$(238.55)
Plan YTD	\$56,250.00
Actual	\$57,654.00
<b>Excess (3 months)</b>	\$1,404.00

**Next class for The Mystical City of God (The Divine Life of the Most Holy Virgin) by Ven. Mary of Agreda (1602-1666) will be Tuesday, Nov. 5, 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.

**Check out our PARISH LIBRARY**

In our community room (where we have coffee/donuts) we have a parish library that we have been building for many months. In our library you'll find books on various topics: theology, prayer/spirituality, lives of the saints, etc.; we also have dvds with wholesome movies as well as stories of the saints and other religious topics. Just fill out a card to take out a book or a dvd.

**THE WOMEN OF CHRIST CONFERENCE**

The women of Christ conference will be held this year on **Saturday, November 9th 2019**. This year's theme is, "Come and See, He delights in you!" It will be at the Washington County Fair Park in West Bend Wisconsin. The conference is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$45 per person, box lunch included. Speakers include Kimberly Hahn, Steve Ray, Bishop Donald Hying and others. For more info and Registration call 262-384-8414 or [www.womenofchrist.net](http://www.womenofchrist.net).

**Schedule for Feast of All Saints:  
Holy Day of Obligation**

**St. Therese:**

Thurs. Oct. 31: 7pm (Mass of anticipation)  
 Friday Nov. 1: 8am & 5:45pm

**Mt. Carmel:**

Thurs. Oct. 31: 5:30pm (Mass of anticipation)  
 Friday Nov. 1: 7:15am & 5:30pm

**All Souls Day Sat. Nov. 2**

**St. Therese:** 8am

**Mt. Carmel:** 8:30am (Latin Mass)

**MASS INTENTIONS for the Week**

**Monday, October 21**

8:00 AM † Eleanor DeCesaro

**Tuesday, October 22**

8:00 AM Linda San Filippo (Friend)

**Wednesday, October 23**

5:45 PM † Ada Perri

**Thursday, October 24**

8:00 AM † No Mass

**Friday, October 25**

8:00 AM † No Mass

**Saturday, October 26**

4:00 PM † Eleanor DeCesaro

† Joseph & Nanette Schmitt (Marie & Anna Wanta)

**Sunday, October 27**

8:30 AM † John Ruggiero (Theresa Ruggiero)

† Mary Marasa (Chic Marasa)

† Regina & Joseph Pumpera (Theresa Ruggiero)

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

**Readings for the Week of  
October 20, 2019**

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 2]/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b -9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68b]/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 [7a]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

**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. Coor	262-705-9097
Liturgical Musician	Jan Sleyster	262-331-4734
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St. Joseph Catholic Academy		262-654-8651

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**Parish Staff**

Pastor.....Rev. Fr. Dwight P. Campbell, S.T.D.  
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 Liturgical Musician.....Jan Sleyster  
 Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor.....Mary E. Vestal

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Robert Beales, Trustee Treasurer	Kristen Kelly
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Bruce Havrilak, Chairman	Patricia Soens
Rob Jenewein, Vice-Chairman	Rita Van Guyse
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.