



The Faith Community of

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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 unending 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*

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

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September 13, 2020 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY MASS: A JOYFUL OBLIGATION (Dispensation ends Sept. 14)

Archbishop Jerome ListECKi

For more than 25 years of my priestly life, I taught moral theology, both in high school and college, and for over 17 of those years at the graduate level of the major seminary. Inevitably, a question would be posed by one of the students: “**Father, is it really a serious sin to miss Sunday Mass?**” I would answer directly and firmly “**yes.**” Then, I would qualify that certain circumstances exempt a person from the obligation. Some look upon the obligation as fulfilling a law that the Church imposes. Laws are given to us to assist us and protect us in our journey through life. But, we must always look deeper, seeing the person and the relationship, which directs and defines the law. I would always attempt to have the students understand that our obligation comes from a deep relationship we have with God and the acknowledgment that His Son, who is our Savior and Redeemer, was raised on this particular day of the week. The importance of celebrating this day was something even the earliest of Christians could not live without.

What made sense for many of my students was the example of how we, as family members, are expected to attend certain family gatherings or functions, which demonstrate our belonging and the value that we have as family members. For instance, in my home, as an extended family member, you were always expected to attend Christmas Eve dinner at my grandfather’s home and only a serious situation would justify your absence. Our family history and relationships were built upon this gathering and others that were deemed essential. The same holds true for Sunday Mass.

Our obligation to attend Sunday worship reflects the very character of who we are as Catholics. When we fail in our responsibility before God, we sin. Therefore, we need to form our consciences so that we can be fully informed in making decisions about our actions. The Church in Her wisdom offers us guidelines to help in our formation.

Knowing how serious the obligation is to attend Sunday Mass, you must understand the thoughtful and prayerful discernment that caused me to dispense from the obligation to attend Sunday worship for the last six months. As responsible parish communities, we needed to assess the transmission of the COVID-19 virus, permit our parishes the time to establish plans for sanitizing worship spaces, secure needed resources, evaluate the appropriate numbers for social distancing and solicit the voluntary personnel necessary to accomplish the tasks of preparing our worship spaces. The dispensation was made for the safety of all and to alleviate the burden of those conflicted by the obligation to attend Mass due to the coronavirus threat.

Many have been fortunate to continue their prayer at home because of technology, viewing the Mass on Heart of the Nation, public broadcasts or live-streaming. But televised or computer viewing does not fulfill the Sunday obligation. Instead, it is there to help those prohibited from attending public celebrations to have a sense of connectedness.

Assisted by many volunteers, our parishes have worked very hard to provide for sanitized environments, observing social distancing, the wearing of masks and the use of hand sanitizers. Because of these efforts since the end of May, we have already experienced a return to Sunday worship.

On September 14, 2020, the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation will expire, and it will be the responsibility of those who are capable and not prohibited by other circumstances to attend Sunday Mass. **Those who deliberately fail to attend Sunday Mass commit a grave sin.**

There are circumstances where the obligation cannot be fulfilled. One example is the impossibility to attend Mass. When our churches were closed and offered no public Masses, it was impossible for people to attend, and so there was no sin for missing Mass. If a person is ill, especially during this pandemic, they should remain at home. Likewise, if a person is at risk because of age, underlying medical conditions or a compromised immune system, one would be excused from the obligation. If a person is caring for a sick person, even if they are not sick, they would be excused from the obligation out of charity. **Fear of getting sick, in and of itself, does not excuse someone from the obligation.** However, if the fear is generated because of at-risk factors, such as pre-existing conditions, age or compromised immune systems, then the fear would be sufficient to excuse from the obligation.

It is up to each individual to weigh their own circumstances through an examination of their conscience and determine, by use of their conscience, whether or not they are excused from the Sunday obligation. Remember, a well-formed conscience is upright and truthful.

Our Sunday worship is a joyful obligation. It is a witness to God as the priority in our lives. We place our trust in Him and His Church. We, together, recognize Him in the breaking of the bread as He offers himself to us in Communion so that, in His name, we might LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

Fr. Campbell's **Wednesday 6am Men's Bible Study** will resume meeting in person at Mt. Carmel School. Bring a Bible & *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

The **MARIAN HOUR** with Fr. Campbell **WSFI 88.5 FM Wed. September 30 at 2:00pm.**

Please Note: During the time of this virus we will have all day **Eucharistic Adoration 9am to 5pm every Friday** other than First Friday. There will be sign up sheets on the table as you enter the church.

Sign up for FORMED: A program which gives our Parishioners free access to many Catholic Programs and movies. **Want to create a new FORMED account? Follow these steps:**

1. Visit FORMED.org; 2. Click Sign Up; 3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"; 4. Find your parish by name or zip; 5. Enter your email, you're in!

PRAY for the SICK in our PARISH, and visit them if possible: Jan Petrin, Diana Sauter, Germaine Brennan, Gerry Buhnerkempe, Sue Kratowicz, Rebecca Dugan, Maria Miller, Pat Ware, William Wasurick, Mary Jo Koski, Phyllis Giovannoni, Josephine Gallassini, Daniel Lenegar, Arlene Bilotti. Please call the rectory for any other sick persons 694-4695.

Sign up for FLOCKNOTE which enables you to receive important news and info. about the parish through texts & emails. **To sign up:** Send the word **LOOP** (typed in all caps) as a text message to this address: **84576**. Then you'll be part of the "flock" & receive notes. **Please pass this info on to others!**

Community Outreach collection for the month of September is for St. Elizabeth/St. James Food Pantry. Serving 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: Respect for the Planet's Resources. We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

Parish Support unavailable at time of publication.

At the request of Pope Francis the **2020 PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION for the HOLY LAND** is to be taken on **SEPTEMBER 13, 2020**, since no collection was taken on Good Friday.

Emergency Assistance Fund: Contact Fr. Campbell if you need financial assistance (652-7660).

Women's Weekly Bible Study will begin meeting at St. Therese Church **Wed. Sept. 23, 10-11:30am.** It will cover The Book of Revelation by Jeff Cavins, known on EWTN, 10 weekly sessions Wed. mornings 10am. Contact Sharon at (262) 515-5779 or Patti at (262) 857-7415.

Welcome her into eternal life...

Father Campbell, Father McDermott, and the Parish community of St. Therese wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Marcella Dubanewicz.

O, Lord, comfort them in their time of sorrow and grief. Eternal rest grant unto her, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in the peace of Christ.



In the midst of unrest, uncertainty and many unknowns, our community has displayed remarkable fortitude and strength. SJCA is heartened by the many community members, first responders, local leaders and helpful citizens who have met adversity with compassion and love. Find solace in the many, many kind, helpful people working for the common good, recognizing that we are all people of God. As a community rooted in faith, please continue to pray for peace, justice and mercy.

**WSFI 88.5 FM
CATHOLIC RADIO**

**Learn about the glories
and privileges of Mary**

THE MARIAN HOUR

with

**Fr. Dwight P. Campbell, S.T.D.
Pastor, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
and St. Therese Parish
Kenosha, WI**

**2nd & 4th Wednesday's
of each month
2:00 pm**



MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, September 14

8:00 AM John Kirsch (Family)

Tuesday, September 15

8:00 AM † Intentions of Russ & Pat Jones

Wednesday, September 16

5:45 PM † Peter Marano

Thursday, September 17

8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, September 18

8:00 AM † Lee Lauzon (Jim Lauzon)

Saturday, September 19

4:00 PM † Joseph & Carmella Sturino (Family)

† Sandra Rider † Edith Druding

Sunday, September 20

8:30 AM † Marion Gratz (Mary Arentz) † McKenna Skarda (Marilyn Tercek)

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

Saints & Readings:

Week of September 13, 2020

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day, Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

Monday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: Our Lady of Sorrows, 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 31:2 and 3b, 3cd-4, 5-6, 15-16, 20 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs, 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22 [12]/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 [1]/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr, 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14 [14]/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday, Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

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 4:00 PM
	Sunday	
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
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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.