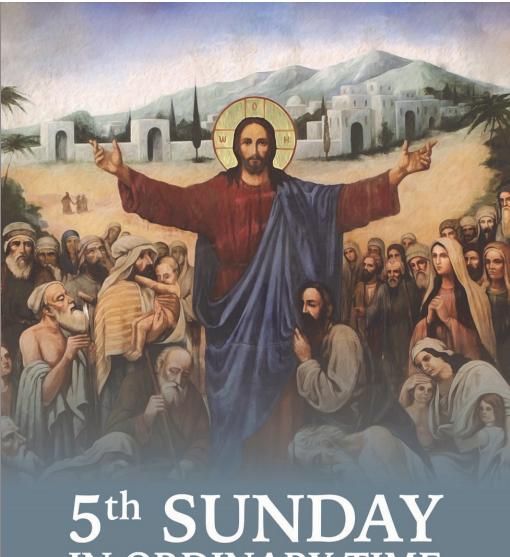


The Faith Community of

ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

CATHOLIC CHURCH



IN ORDINARY TIME

He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." - Mk 1:38

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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.

February 7, 2021 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Communism and Private Property, by Dr. David Arias (Meménto, Sept. 2020)

The Popes, especially those of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, have repeatedly and strongly condemned communism on various grounds. For example, Pius XI in his encyclical letter *Divini Redemptoris*, rejects modern communism on account of its materialism [i.e., only matter exists] and atheism [God does not exist]. But he also criticizes other tenets that belong to communism in general (not just to its modern versions); among these is the claim that private property should be eliminated. He describes how the communists arrive at this position:

In man's relations with other individuals... communists hold the principle of absolute equality, rejecting all hierarchy and divinely-constituted authority, including the authority of parents. What men call authority and subordination is derived from the community as its first and only font. Nor is the individual granted any property rights over material goods or the means of production, for inasmuch as these are the source of further wealth, their possession would give one man power over another. Precisely on this score, all forms of private property must be eradicated, for they are at the origin of all economic enslavement.

Although it is evident that a Christian should reject any theory that espouses materialism and atheism, one might wonder about **the eradication of private property. Is this incompatible with the faith?** Moreover, there are plenty of people who profess to be Christians who sympathize with, if not wholeheartedly endorse, this principle of communism. Some of these people see manifest injustices taking place under other systems, and they seek some kind of remedy. Nevertheless, the proposed cure—the elimination of private property—is to be rejected. It is contrary to nature and condemned by the Popes.

St. Thomas Aquinas gives three reasons why the possession of property is necessary for human life. He notes first that people take more care in managing things that belong to themselves alone rather than things that belong common-y to many or to everyone. People tend to neglect the work that pertains to what is common, leaving it for someone else. Secondly, he remarks that human affairs would be conducted in a more orderly manner if individuals looked out for the management of particular things; there would be confusion if everyone were responsible for everything indiscriminate-ly. Thirdly, quarrels tend to arise more frequently when things are possessed in common without any division among the things possessed. And so there would more likely be a peaceful state of affairs if each man were contented with his own property. For the success of human life and society, then, it is required that there be private property.

In his encyclical letter Rerum Novarum, Pope Leo XIII condemns the elimination of private property in strong terms. He says it is "manifestly against justice. For, every man has by nature the right to possess property as his own." He draws an argument for this from man's rational nature. Since man has reason, "it must be within his right to possess things not merely for temporary and momentary use, as other living things do, but to have and to hold them in stable and permanent possession; he must have not only things that perish in the use, but those also which, though they have been reduced into use, continue for further use in after time." Man, able to connect in his thoughts the future with the present "and being master of his own acts, guides his ways under the eternal law and the power of God, whose providence governs all things. Wherefore, it is in his power to exercise his choice not only as to matters that regard his present welfare, but also about those which he deems may be for his advantage in time yet to come." It is natural to man that he possess "a source that is stable and remaining always with him, from which he might look to draw continual supplies."

It is clear, therefore, that the **possession of private property is necessary for man and in accordance with natural justice**. But other aspects of this topic must also be considered. St. Thomas distinguishes the possession of private property from its use. In this regard, he says, a man should consider things not as his own but as common, "so that he will readily share them with others in their need." The natural order established by divine Providence is such that other things in the world are for the sake of satisfying the needs of man. Therefore, natural law requires that those with abundance come to the aid of the poor, who lack what is needful. St. Thomas even asserts that, in a case of urgent and manifest necessity, a man "can licitly succor his own need from another's property."

Pius XI speaks of a twofold character of ownership: individual and social. He affirms that "nature, rather the Creator Himself, has given man the right of private ownership not only that individuals may be able to provide for themselves and their families, but also that the goods which the Creator destined for the entire family of mankind may through this institution truly serve this purpose." Therefore, he asserts, "men must consider in this matter not only their own advantage but also the common good." Moreover, he says that "[t]o define these duties in detail when necessity requires and the natural law has not done so, is the function of those in charge of the state. Therefore, public authority, under the guiding light always of the natural and divine law, can determine more accurately upon consideration of the true requirements of the common good, what is permitted and what is not permitted to owners in the use of their property." Though it would be unjust for the state to abolish private property, it does have some function in bringing "private ownership into harmony with the needs of the common good."

Fr. Campbell's **Wednesday 6am Men's Bible Study** will meet using ZOOM. Bring a Bible & *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

The MARIAN HOUR with Fr. Campbell WSFI 88.5 FM Wed. February 10 at 2:00pm.

PRAY for the SICK in our PARISH, and visit them if possible: Germaine Brennan, Gerry Buhnerkempe, Maria Miller, Pat Ware, William Wasurick, Mary Jo Koski, Phyllis Giovannoni, Florence Klappa, Daniel Lenegar, Jennifer Johnson, Laurie Smith, Billie Lou Knutsen. Please call the rectory for other sick persons 694-4695.

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!

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 February is for Women's & Children's Horizons. Free, confidential services for those affected by domestic and sexual abuse-24 hour crisis line, 24 hour response to law enforcement, medical centers and emergency shelters. Needs: Boxed or canned foods, paper products, cleaning supplies, Personal care items, Baby wipes & diapers-Large sizes. Monetary donations are also welcome and may be placed in the Community Outreach box.

Pope's Prayer Intention for February. Universal: Violence against women. We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

Parish Support

Weekend of January 24, 2020

\$10,244.00

 Budgeted weekly need...
 \$4,865.00

 Weekly offertory
 \$10,244.00

 Over/Under budget
 \$5,379.00

 Plan YTD
 \$126,500.00

 Actual
 \$129,161.00

 Excess (6 months)
 \$2,661.00

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE (Feb. 17):

St. Therese: 8am & 7pm

Mt. Carmel: 8am, 12pm (Latin), 5:30pm

LENTEN STATIONS of the CROSS:

Fridays 5:30pm at Mt. Carmel; Wednesdays following 5:45pm Mass at St. Therese.

A Lenten Fish Fry DRIVE-UP Fundraiser

St. Therese Church 2020 91st St 694-4695 Fridays 4:30-7:00 pm @ COST \$12.00 Cash or Check [payable to St. Therese] Feb 19, 26 / March 5, 12, 19 = 3 pc. Fried Cod with tartar sauce French Fries, Cole Slaw, Cookies

Course on Critique of Evolution: "FOUNDATIONS RESTORED: A Catholic Perspective on Origins":

Next class Tues. Feb. 9, 7pm, St. Therese Church. "Foundations Restored" is series of presentations on DVD defending the traditional Catholic doctrine of creation of the universe and of human life, as well as a refutation of Darwin's theory of evolution which has ushered in the world-wide culture of death.

Come and pray the Holy Rosary at St. Therese Church Sunday Evening's at 6:00pm.

The **Holy Name Society** will have a meeting on **Sunday, February 7** in the hall after the 8:30 am Mass. All men of the parish are invited.

St. Therese Italian Beef Dinner Super Bowl Fundraiser this Sunday, Feb. 7: Dinner includes 1 lb of beef, 4 bomber buns, salad, dressing, chips, cookies. **Cost is \$25**. Additional beef for \$10/lb. Preorders needed: st-theresekenosha.org or call 262-697 -0834. **Pick up** on Feb. 7th 11:30 am until 2:00 pm. Cash or credit.

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

ALL SAINTS SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE rescheduled: this Sunday, February 7, 11am-2pm 4400 22nd Ave. In-person learning, 3 year-old through 8th grade. Enrollment for 2021-22 school year under way. Call (262)925-4024.

MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, February 8

8:00 AM † Deceased members of Ruffalo/DeCesaro Families (Catherine DeCesaro)

Tuesday, February 9

8:00 AM † Mildred Renick

Wednesday, February 10

5:45 PM † Bill Haddican

Thursday, February 11

8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, February 12

8:00 AM † Holy Souls in Purgatory (Kevin & Gina Bonn)

Saturday, February 13

4:00 PM † Julia DeRose & Frank Ingram (Kevin & Gina Bonn)

Sunday, February 14

8:30 AM † John Ruggiero, Joseph & Regina Pumpera † Mary Marasa

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

Saints & Readings: Week of February 7, 2021

Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39 Monday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin, Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13 Wednesday: St. Scholastica, Virgin, Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Our Lady of Lourdes, Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4 -5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: BVM, Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/

Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; Valentine's Day, Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

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)

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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.