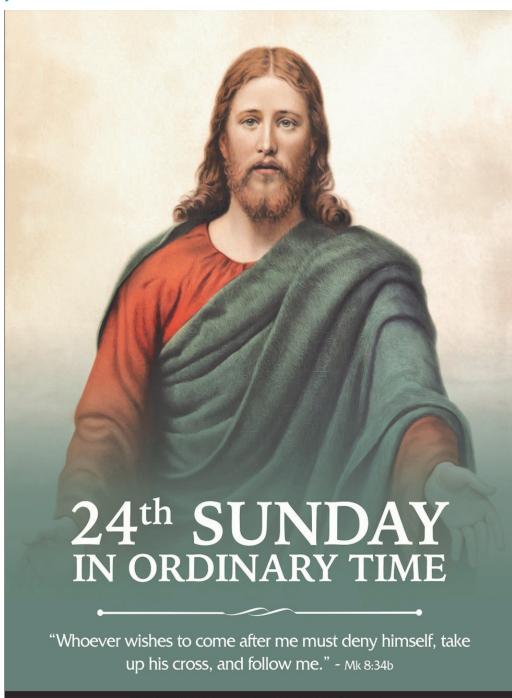


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# ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

**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.

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

September 12, 2021 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Catholic Schools Beat Public Schools in Reading and Math

By Terence P. Jeffrey (*The Wanderer*, May 13, 2021)

Here is one demonstrable fact about the difference between Catholic and public schools: Students who study at Catholic schools do better in reading and math. We know this because students who attended Catholic elementary schools in 2019 tested better in math and reading than students in public schools.

The latest issue of the **Digest of Education Statistics**, published by the U.S. Dept. of Education, includes the average reading and math scores that fourth and eighth grade students achieved in the National Assessment of Educational Progress, or NAEP, tests that were administered in 2019. Table 221.32a from this digest shows the average reading scores. **Fourth graders** in **public schools**, it says, scored an average of 219 (out of a possible 500) in the NAEP *reading* test. **Catholic school fourth graders** scored 235. The Catholic-school fourth graders won. The same table shows that eighth graders in public schools scored an average of 262 in the NAEP **reading** test, while **Catholic school eighth graders** scored an average of 278. The Catholic schools won again.

The same pattern held in the *math* scores reported in Table 222.32a. **Public-school fourth graders** scored an average of 240 in the 2019 NAEP math test, while **Catholic-school fourth graders** scored an average of 246. **Public-school eighth graders** scored an average of 281 in math, while **Catholic-school eighth graders** scored an average of 293.

It did not matter whether the schools were located in a city, a suburb, a town or a rural area. In every location for which the digest had sufficient data on Catholic schools, it showed that the Catholic schools beat the public schools in reading and math. In reading, Catholic-school fourth graders outscored public-school fourth graders 234 to 213 in cities, 236 to 225 in the suburbs, and 237 to 216 in towns. Catholic school eighth graders outscored public-school eighth graders in reading 277 to 257 in cities, 280 to 266 in suburbs, 275 to 258 in towns, and 281 to 263 in rural areas.

In *math*, Catholic-school fourth graders beat public-school fourth graders 243 to 235 in cities, 250 to 244 in **suburbs**, and 243 to 237 in **towns**. Again, the digest did not publish a math score for Catholic-school fourth graders in **rural areas**, but the 240 scored by rural public-school fourth graders was lower than the Catholic-school scores for cities (243), suburbs (250) and towns (243). **Catholic-school eighth graders beat public-school eighth graders in math** by 291 to 276 in cities, 297 to 286 in the **suburbs**, 290 to 276 in **towns**, and 293 to 282 in **rural areas**.

Public schools did not consistently lose to Catholic schools in reading and math because they lacked funding. According to Table 236.75 in the digest, public elementary and secondary schools in the United States spent \$13,834 per pupil in the 2016-17 school year. The District of Columbia, according to the digest, spent \$30,115 per pupil on its public schools that year. New York led all states, spending \$24,377. Idaho spent the least — at \$8,599 per pupil. In that same 2016-17 school year, according to a page on the website of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, "The average per pupil tuition in parish elementary schools is \$4,400, which is approximately 74.7% of actual costs per pupil of \$5,887." "The secondary school mean freshman tuition is \$9,840, which is about 70.6% of actual costs per pupil of \$13,939," says the USCCB website. "The difference between the per pupil cost and the tuition charged is obtained in many ways, primarily through direct subsidy from parish, diocesan or religious congregation resources and from multi-faceted development programs and fundraising activities," says the USCCB.

Taxpayers pick up the full cost of the public schools.

In fact, **parents who send their children to Catholic schools pay twice**. First, they pay taxes to subsidize the education of other peoples' children in government-run schools, and then they pay tuition to fund their own children in the Catholic school.

But there is an obvious way to improve the academic performance of children who are currently stuck in government-run schools: Give them a chance to go to a private school — whether religious or secular. Local governments can accomplish this by giving parents of every school-age child a voucher equal to the cost of educating that child in a local public school. Then those parents can choose whether to redeem that voucher at a government-run school or a private school.

Fr. Campbell's Wednesday 6 am Men's Bible Study via Zoom: To get the link, email Fr. C at FrCampbell@olmckenosha.org. Please have a Bible and Catechism!

The MARIAN HOUR with Fr. Campbell WSFI 88.5 FM Wed. September 22 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, Jean Ammendola, Maria Koble, Aileen Hafferkamp, Darlene Skarda. Please call the rectory for other sick persons 694-4695.

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

Holy Name Society will be having a meeting on Sunday, September 26 after the 8:30 am Mass in the hall. All men of the Parish are invited.

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!

**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!

Community Outreach collection for the month of September is for Edward Bain School of Language Arts. Needs: At this time we can only accept Cash Donations or Gift cards (with activation receipt) are always welcome:

Gift cards (with activation receipt) are always welcome: for clothing, restaurants, groceries or gas. Please deposit your offering in our Donation box in the Lobby.

Pope's Prayer Intention for September. Universal. An environmentally sustainable lifestyle. We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

### FALL RUMMAGE SALE FRI. & SAT. SEPT. 17TH & 18TH 9 AM TO 3 PM



Now is a good time to look into the nooks and crannies around the house for unused items. Please consider donating them for our rummage sale.

### DROP-OFF'S BEGIN 9/4! 8 AM TO 2 PM (NOT FRIDAY) & DURING MASS

We are able to accept good condition clothing & shoes, toys, books, kitchen & household items, yard & garden, tools, jewelry, etc. Please do not bring large appliances, TV's, electronics or furniture (ANYTHING 1 PERSON CANNOT CARRY BY THEMSELF). For more details or to help out, contact Tina Cajka @ 914-3480.

**TIMES** 

**Women's Weekly Bible Study** will begin meeting at St. Therese Church **Wed. Sept. 15, 10-11:30am**. It will cover The Book of James by Jeff Cavins, known on EWTN. There will be 11 weekly sessions. Contact Sharon at (262) 515-5779 or Patti at (262)-857-7415.

### **Religious Exemptions from Covid Vaccines**

For an excellent discussion on Covid vaccines and religious exemptions, see Raymond Arroyo's interview with Bishop Donald DeGrood of Sioux Falls, S.D. on Arroyo's show *The World Over* from Aug. 9, 2021, which can be accessed at: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?">https://www.youtube.com/watch?</a>
v=7iUCQK692nE&t=8s.

# **Covid Vaccines & Conscience: Health Care Workers/Others**

For health care workers and others whose employers are forcing them to receive a Covid vaccine, you may download a form for a religious/conscience exemption: go to National Catholic Bioethics Center, click "vaccines and vaccinations", then scroll to "vaccine exemption template letter."

# UNICEF Claims Porn Does No Harm to Children; "Right" to View Porn

UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) recently released a report claiming that there is no harm in allowing children to be exposed to pornography. Taking it further, the institution argued that restricting porn could violate a child's human rights. Steven Mosher, President of the Population Research Institute, says "This United Nations agency demonstrates once again why U.S. taxpayer funds should not be going to UNICEF and many other UN agencies. Pornography is degrading, demeaning, and destroys the innocence of children. Exposing children to pornography is a form of child abuse"

Parish Support unavailable at time of publication.

### MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, September 13

8:00 AM † Dayton Cheney

Tuesday, September 14

8:00 AM † Richard Spindler

Wednesday, September 15

5:45 PM † John Stancato & David Lee Families

Thursday, September 16

8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, September 17

8:00 AM † Lucille Thomsen (Fitzpatrick)

Saturday, September 18

4:00 PM † Paula Bonn † Dick & Shirley Bonn † Lee Lauzon

Sunday, September 19

8:30 AM † Mary Marasa (Chic Marasa) Adam

Kavalauskas Family

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

### Saints & Readings: Week of September 12, 2021

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day, Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor 11:26b]/ Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 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 Wednesday: Our Lady of Sorrows, 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Thursday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs, 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: BVM, 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday, Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

#### **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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		Fax	262-694-7284
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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.