



The Faith Community of

ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

CATHOLIC CHURCH



25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name,
receives me.” - Mk 9:37a

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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 con-
soling troubled souls with heavenly
graces, in our unfailing interces-
sions 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*

September 19, 2021 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our duty to challenge Catholic politicians who support abortion rights

By Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone of San Francisco (*Washington Post*, Sept. 5, 2021)

Prominent politicians lost no time in reacting hyperbolically to the Supreme Court's decision refusing to enjoin Texas's new law banning abortions after the detection of a fetal heartbeat. President Biden announced a "whole-of-government effort" to find ways to overcome the Texas measure. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) denounced the Supreme Court's refusal as a "cowardly, dark-of-night decision to uphold a flagrantly unconstitutional assault on women's rights and health," and promised new legal action: "This ban necessitates codifying *Roe v. Wade*" in federal law.

As a faith leader in the Catholic community, I find it especially disturbing that so many of the politicians on the wrong side of the preeminent human rights issue of our time are self-professed Catholics. This is a perennial challenge for bishops in the United States: This summer, we provoked an uproar by discussing whether public officials who support abortion should receive the sacrament of the Eucharist. We were accused of inappropriately injecting religion into politics, of butting in where we didn't belong.

I see matters differently. When considering what duties Catholic bishops have with respect to prominent laymen in public life who openly oppose church teachings on abortion, I look to this country's last great human rights movement — still within my living memory — for inspiration on how we should respond.

The example of New Orleans Archbishop Joseph Rummel, who courageously confronted the evils of racism, is one that I especially admire. Rummel did not "stay in his lane." Unlike several other bishops throughout this country's history, he did not prioritize keeping parishioners and the public happy above advancing racial justice. Instead, he began a long, patient campaign of moral suasion to change the opinions of pro-segregation White Catholics.

In 1948, he admitted two Black students to New Orleans's Notre Dame Seminary. In 1951, he ordered the removal of "white" and "colored" signs from Catholic churches in the archdiocese. In a 1953 pastoral, he ordered an end to segregation throughout the archdiocese of New Orleans, telling White Catholics that, because their "Colored Catholic brethren share ... the same spiritual life and destiny," there could be "no further discrimination or segregation in the pews, at the Communion rail, at the confessional and in parish meetings."

In 1955, Rummel closed a church for refusing to accept a Black priest. In a 1956 pastoral, he declared: "Racial segregation as such is morally wrong and sinful because it is a denial of the unity and solidarity of the human race as conceived by God in the creation of Adam and Eve." On March 27, 1962, Rummel formally announced the end of segregation in the New Orleans Catholic schools.

Many White Catholics were furious at this disruption of the long-entrenched segregationist status quo. They staged protests and boycotts. Rummel patiently sent letters urging a conversion of heart, but he was also willing to threaten opponents of desegregation with excommunication.

On April 16, 1962, he followed through, excommunicating a former judge, a well-known writer and a segregationist community organizer. Two of the three later repented and died Catholics in good standing. Was that wrong? Was that weaponizing the Eucharist? No. Rummel recognized that prominent, high-profile public advocacy for racism was scandalous: It violated core Catholic teachings and basic principles of justice, and also led others to sin.

In our own time, what could be a more egregious "denial of the unity and solidarity of the human race" than abortion? ***Abortion kills a unique, irreplaceable human being growing in his or her mother's womb. Everyone who advocates for abortion, in public or private life, who funds it or who presents it as a legitimate choice participates in a great moral evil.***

Since the Roe decision, more than 60 million lives have been lost to abortion. Many millions more have been scarred by this experience, wounded victims whom society ignores. Abortion is therefore the most pressing human rights challenge of our time. Can we pastors speak softly when the blood of 60 million innocent American children cries out for justice? When their mothers are condemned to silence, secretly suffering the injuries of the culture of "choice"?

Yes, we need to speak just as strongly for these mothers, and of our obligations to provide new and generous options for women facing crisis pregnancies. And Texas gets this right: The state is investing \$100 million to help mothers by funding pregnancy centers, adoption agencies and maternity homes and providing free services including counseling, parenting help, diapers, formula and job training to mothers who want to keep their babies.

You cannot be a good Catholic and support expanding a government-approved right to kill innocent human beings. The answer to crisis pregnancies is not violence but love, for both mother and child. This is hardly inappropriate for a pastor to say. If anything, Catholic political leaders' response to the situation in Texas highlights the need for us to say it all the louder.

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 & 7:50 AM Wed. Sept. 22 at 2pm.**

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 Amendola, 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.

People Needed to Undergo Training to Use Defibrillator: We are in need of people who are willing to be trained (or have their previous training updated) for using the defibrillator at our parish. should there be an emergency with someone in cardiac arrest at Mass or at a social event. If you are interested in undergoing training (2-3 hours), please contact the parish secretary.

Wedding Banns
2nd Banns
Ivan Guzman & Gena Malsack

An in-pew commitment process for the **2021 Catholic Stewardship Appeal will take place next weekend, Sept. 25 & 26.** All who have not had a chance to respond to a mailing from Archbishop ListECKI will be asked to consider making a pledge to support the ministries supported by the CSA.

Parish Support

Weekend of September 5, 2021

\$4,666.00

Budgeted weekly need...	\$5,010.00
Weekly offertory	\$4,666.00
Over/Under budget	(\$344.00)
Plan YTD	\$45,087.00
Actual	\$41,154.00
Shortfall (1 month)	(\$3,933.00)

Free Seminar: Science vs. Scientism – Sound Science & Medical Research Save Lives...When Solid Catholic Doctrine Lies at the Foundation (Sponsored by Catholics United for the Faith) **When:** Sunday, Sept. 19, 2-4pm (Rosary at 1:45pm) **Where:** St. John the Evangelist Church, 8500 W. Coldspring Rd. Milwaukee **Presenter:** **Hugh Owen**, Founder and Director, Kolbe Center & Member John Paul II Academy for Life & Family (Hugh Owen was the presenter in the Foundations Restored video series shown at St. Therese in the Spring). **Learn the difference** between sound, data-driven natural science and faulty scientism and how that makes a difference in your healthcare. Find out how this all relates to the anti-culture of death, rampant mutating viruses, and the current crisis of faith and morals. Attendees receive a free book- *Vaccination: A Catholic Perspective*.

Pray for the Deceased: Our parish prays for the repose of the souls of **Herb Lang & Mary Kay Johnson: May their souls, and the souls of all the Faithful Departed, rest in peace.**

Mount Carmel Church Homemade Spaghetti Dinner: Friday/Saturday Oct. 8 & 9, 4-7pm, Sunday, Oct. 10, 11am-2pm in the church hall. \$12 includes homemade spaghetti w/sauce, two meatballs, salad and dessert. Tickets sold at the door. Dine in, or carry out dinners are available - enter church hall to order and pick up your carry out dinner. Q's call church office: 262.652.7660. Full details, see Mt Carmel Church website at www.olmckenosha.org.

Long live the Right to Life - Viva Texas! Texas' Heartbeat Law is a historic precedent in the battle to protect Life by Katrina Carranco (PRI.POP.org, Sept. 7, 2021) There are plenty of reasons to be a proud Texan: business friendly, tasty BBQ, top tier sports teams, Big Bend National Park, Whataburger and so much more. As a native Texan, devout Catholic and avid pro-lifer, today especially, I could not be prouder to call the great state of Texas home. Texas has always been known as the "friendly state" and with the Texas Heartbeat Bill recently enacted it just got friendlier to the unborn. Texas now is saving from abortion every unborn child with a detectable heartbeat. The Texas Heartbeat Bill bans abortions after the first six weeks of pregnancy - the timeframe in which a heartbeat is usually detected. An emergency petition filed by Planned Parenthood and the ACLU to stop the legislation from taking effect, but it failed to sway the United States Supreme Court. It refused to intervene, and the Texas Heartbeat Bill became law on September 1, 2021. [But the Biden's Attorney General is suing Texas – see related story.]

MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, September 20

8:00 AM † Kurt Humbrecht

Tuesday, September 21

8:00 AM † Mary Jane Johnson

Wednesday, September 22

5:45 PM † Richard Sleyster (Fr. McDermott)

Thursday, September 23

8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, September 24

8:00 AM † Kurt Humbrecht

Saturday, September 25

4:00 PM † Daniel J. Stancato † Chad Aiello † Gary & Edith Druding

Sunday, September 26

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

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

Saints & Readings:

Week of September 19, 2021

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

Monday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest, and Paul Chông Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs, Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist, Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest, Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: BVM, Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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.