



The Faith Community of

ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

CATHOLIC CHURCH



3RD SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." - Lk 4:18a

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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

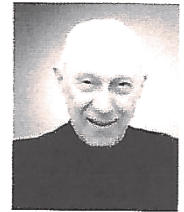
*O Little flower of Jesus, ever consoling troubled souls with heavenly graces, in our unfailing intercessions I place my confident trust. From the heart of our Divine Savior, petition the blessings of which I stand in greatest need.....Shower upon me your promised roses of virtue and grace, Dear St. Therese, so that swiftly advancing in sanctity and perfect love of neighbor, I may someday receive the crown of life eternal.
Amen*

January 23, 2022 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Theological Reflections

BY REV JOHN A. HARDON, S.J.
SERVANT OF GOD/IRL FOUNDER (1914–2000)



Imitation of the Incarnate God

There is no holiness in the practice of virtue unless the mind is convinced that the Man from Nazareth is the God who made the universe. The depth of my conviction that Jesus is God determines the strength of my will to surrender to the divine will.

God became man for many reasons. Among these reasons is to provide us with the motivation we need to live a holy life. Christ gives us this motivation beyond all human calculation. He wants us to follow His example and accept His teaching so that we might join Him, with the angels and the saints, in a heavenly eternity.

All of this is beautifully synthesized in the opening paragraphs of Thomas à Kempis' *Imitation of Christ*.

He who follows me walks not in darkness, says the Lord. By these words of Christ we are advised to imitate His life and habits, if we wish to be truly enlightened and free from all blindness of heart. Let our chief effort, therefore, be to study the life of Jesus Christ. The teaching of Christ is more excellent than all the advice of the saints, and he who has His spirit will find in it a hidden strength. Now, there are many who hear the Gospel often but care little for it because they have not the spirit of Christ. Yet whoever wishes to understand fully the words of Christ must strive to pattern his whole life on that of Christ.

If we ask why a clear faith in

Christ's divinity is the indispensable foundation for sanctity, the answer is obvious. What else is sanctity except God-likeness? God became man precisely to teach us by word and example how we are to become holy.

Before we go any further, let me be as plain as I can. You might object, "All I want to do is save my soul. I have no ambition to become a saint." My reply is, "Sorry, my friend. Whatever was the case in former times, today you have no choice. Either you strive after sanctity or you will not survive as a Christian." Pope John Paul II is brutally clear about the necessity for sanctity in today's paganized world. Ours is the age of martyrs. We must be willing to shed our blood, if need be, to remain faithful to the Redeemer.


We return to the imitation of Christ. As we know, the imitation of Christ means the following of Christ. In the last analysis, the following of Christ means following His example as man in submitting His human will to the divine will of His heavenly Father. After all the virtues are identified and all the qualities of sanctity analyzed, what is the one condition for following the teaching of the Master and imitating His way of life? In Christ's own words, He tells us, "Deny yourself, take up your cross and follow Me." This seems difficult for human nature to accept.

But it would be much harder to hear those final words "Depart


from me you cursed, into everlasting fire." Those who hear the word of the Cross and follow it willingly now, need not fear that they will hear of eternal damnation on the day of judgment. This sign of the Cross will be in the heavens when the Lord comes to judge. Then all the servants of the Cross, who during life made themselves one with the Crucified, will draw near with great trust to Christ the Judge.

This is the sum and substance of the imitation of the Savior. We believe He is the God of Heaven and earth. We believe He became man in order to lead us to the eternal glory which, as man, He earned by dying on His cross out of love for us. But we also believe that if we follow His example and accept His teaching we shall join Him in that everlasting home where He is waiting for us.

Everything depends on our faith in Christ's divinity. We know that God cannot deceive. We also know that God can only practice the most sublime virtue. That is why our following of Christ, who is God-made-man, is the infallible road to sanctity. This same Incarnate God is the source of all the graces we need to become holy. As He told us, "Without me you can do nothing." Without His grace, our minds are blind. Without His grace, our wills are helpless to do what He wants of us to reach that blessed destiny for which we were made. ☺

Fr. Campbell's **Wednesday 6am Men's Bible Study** will meet using ZOOM. Contact Fr. Campbell for the link at frcampbell@olmckenosha.org. 

The **MARIAN HOUR** with Fr. Campbell **WSFI 88.5 FM & and now also on 750AM** every 2nd & 4th Wednesday. Next program: **Wed. Jan. 26 at 2pm**.

PRAY for the SICK in our PARISH, and visit them if possible: Maria Miller, Pat Ware, William Wasurick, Mary Jo Koski, Phyllis Giovannoni, Florence Klappa, Daniel Lenegar, Jennifer Johnson, Laurie Smith, Jean Ammendola, Maria Koble, Aileen Hafferkamp, Billy Knutson, Richard & Kathleen Bertola, Jim Lauzon. Please call the rectory for other sick persons 694-4695. 

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

Sign up for FORMED: A program which gives our Parishioners free access to many Catholic Programs and family friendly 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 sent by Fr. Campbell. **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!**

Please pray that the Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade! "Eviscerating 'Roe v. Wade' would upend lives," editorialized the *Washington Post*. Better to upend lives than to end lives!" "VP Kamala Harris says 'women will die' if *Roe v. Wade* is pared down or overturned. "I don't mean to sound alarmist, I mean this: Women will die.' Millions of women have already died with *Roe* in place, Kamala – very young women." (Both quotes from James B. Bruen, Jr[cwbullets@yahoo.com])

Parish Support
Weekend of January 2, 2022

	\$8,247.00
Budgeted weekly need...	\$5,010.00
Weekly offertory	\$8,247.00
Over/Under budget	\$3,237.00
Plan YTD	\$130,250.00
Actual	\$152,720.00
Excess (6 months)	\$22,470.00

Holy Name Society will be having an **Italian Beef dinner fundraiser on SUPERBOWL Sunday, February 13** featuring our famous summer festival Italian beef, buns, salad, dressing, chips and cookies for \$35(feeds 4). Additional beef available for \$12 a pound. Ordering is on our website and is prepay only. Orders must be in by February 1. Pick up is from 1-3pm on February 13 at St Therese. 2020 91st, Kenosha, WI. 53143. Donations for supplies are welcome.

Please note: St. Therese Congregation will NOT automatically prepare contribution receipts for tax purposes for 2021. If you wish to have a written receipt, please contact the Parish Office, to request one be prepared for you.

Holy Name Society will be having a **meeting on Sunday, January 30** at 8:30 am in the hall. All men of the parish are welcome.

St. Joseph Catholic Academy needs to fill 2 positions: **Director of Finance** to lead business operations, prepare financial statements, budget process, financial aid; and **Human Resources Manager** to manage benefits administration, recruitment, employee relations, record keeping, payroll, legal compliance, and policy/procedure enforcement. Go to Archmil.org or contact Jenny Moyer at moverj@archmil.org. or 414-769-3370.

INFLATION

If you have been following the news or have been shopping lately, you are no doubt aware that inflation is increasing. The factors giving rise to this situation also affect St. Therese. The Parish Finance Committee has noticed that many of our members have been contributing the same amount weekly/monthly for several years. When inflation was low, the impact has been somewhat muted. However, over time the impact is more severe.

If you have not adjusted your contributions for several years, please consider whether an increase might be feasible. We appreciate the generosity of our parishioners and realize that what we are asking may not be possible for many. We just ask that you be aware of the parish needs and consider what you can afford. "God loves a cheerful giver" (St. Paul). Thank you.

HEROIC MEN is a 100% FREE Catholic streaming platform designed especially for men who want to discover (or re-discover) the truth, beauty and goodness of the Catholic faith. Offering more than 100 feature-length films, TV shows, documentaries and short films, Heroic Men seeks to source the best Catholic media available and bring it all to you, all in one place.

Some examples of programs on Heroic Men:
 "RISE": a 30-day challenge for greater peace and balance in your life
 "STRIVE": a 21-day challenge to break free from addiction to pornography. Go to the website: heroicmen.com

MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, January 24

8:00 AM † Dan & Sharon Tack

Tuesday, January 25

8:00 AM † Rita Brown

Wednesday, January 26

5:45 PM † Lucille & Raymond Dziurdzik

Thursday, January 27

8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, January 28

8:00 AM † Sylvia & Marshall Raymond

Saturday, January 29

4:00 PM † Lyle Leu † Alex Lasoda

Sunday, January 30

8:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

10:30 AM † Mary Jean & Jim Gallagher † Jim Steel

Saints & Readings:

Week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin, Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle, Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops, 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin, 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church, 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week, Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

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
	Fax	262-694-7284
	Rel. Ed. Coord.	262-705-9097
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Heather Schweitzer 262-914-2288

Parish Staff

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Parish Pastoral Council

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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.