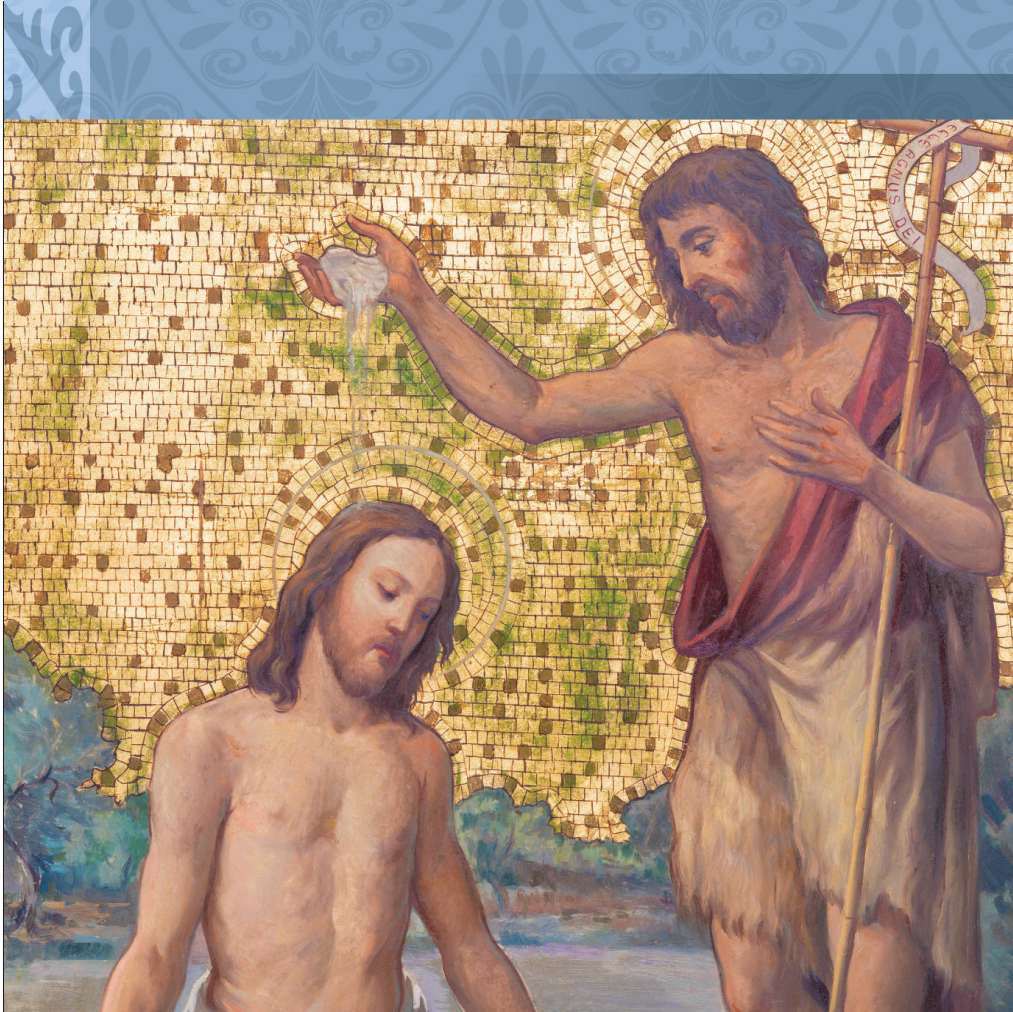




The Faith Community of

ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

CATHOLIC CHURCH



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"Behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him." Mt 3:16

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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*

January 11, 2026 The Baptism of The Lord



Theological Reflections



The Martyrdom of Witness

What do we mean by martyrdom of witness? Here the firm believer in the Church's teaching authority; the devoted servant of the papacy; the convinced pastor who insists on sound doctrine to his flock; the teenagers who want to preserve their chastity; the firm parents who are concerned about the moral training of their children. Such persons will not be spared active criticism and open opposition. But they must especially be ready to live in an atmosphere of coldness to their deepest beliefs.

Sometimes they would almost wish the opposition were more overt and even persecution would be a welcome change. It is the studied indifference of people whom they know and love, of persons in their own natural or religious family, of men and women whose intelligence they respect and whose respect they cherish.

This kind of apathy can be demoralizing and, unless it finds relief from the Holy Spirit, can be devastating.

To continue living a Christ-like life in this kind of environment is to practice the martyrdom of witness. Why witness? Because it means giving testimony to our deep religious convictions al-

though all around us others are giving their own example to the contrary.

It means giving witness twice over: once on our own behalf as the outward expression of what we internally believe and once again on behalf of others whose conduct is not only different from ours, but contradicts it.

Wherein lies the martyrdom? It lies in the deprivation of good example to us on the part of our contemporaries, and in the practice of Christian virtue in loneliness, because those who witness what we do are in the majority. We witness to them, indeed, but they are not pleased to witness who we are, what we stand for, what we say, or what we do.

Notwithstanding all of this, however, it behooves us to look at the positive side of the picture. We must remind ourselves that this witness of ours is not so sterile as we may suppose. Quite the contrary. Although we may be, or at least feel, often quite alone, we are not alone at all. Not infrequently our severest critics can become our strongest admirers. In any case, witness that we give by living up to the conviction of our faith is surely demanding on human nature. That is why we call it martyrdom. But it is a witness to the truth, and the grace of the

Holy Spirit is always active in the hearts of everyone whose life we touch.

If we would know the power of this martyrdom of witness, we have only to read the annals of the early Church. The handful of believers who received the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, were as a drop in the immense culture surrounding the Mediterranean Sea. Yet see what happened. This small group of convinced faithful were able, in less than three hundred years, to turn the tide of paganism in the Roman Empire. For a long time they were deprived even of the basic civil rights accorded to other citizens. They were often hunted like animals, and the catacombs tell us that they had to hide when celebrating the liturgy and hide the tombs of their revered dead.

But their patience and meekness finally prevailed. Yes, but only because it was supported by unbounded courage, born not of their own strength, but of the power of the Holy Spirit that Christ promised to give those who would witness to His name. This promise is just as true today. All that we need is to trust in the Spirit whom we possess, and never grow weary in giving testimony to the grace we received. ☪

For more information on Father Hardon, please visit HardonSJ.org.

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** every 2nd & 4th Wednesday. Next program: January 14, **2pm**.



PRAY for the SICK in our PARISH, and visit them if possible: William Wasurick, Mary Jo Koski, Florence Klappa, Daniel Lenegar, Jennifer Johnson, Laurie Smith, Jean Ammendola, Maria Koble, Billie Knutsen, Kathleen Bertola, Jim Lauzon, Dennis Daughtry, Maggie Elizabeth Kolanko, Kathleen Albaum, Doris Bruff, Elsie Carver, Marina Pennington. Call rectory for sick persons 694-4695.



"Eucharistic Adoration is the greatest power in the universe capable of transforming us and changing the face of the world." St. Maximilian Kolbe. Come and spend some time with Jesus, exposed in the Eucharist in the monstrance on the altar, at **St. Therese Church** every Friday 8:30am-5pm; on First Friday-Saturday, adoration continues until 6am, Plus on **First Friday's** there is Children's adoration at 3:30-4:30pm and at **Mt. Camel Church** every Tuesday 3-5:30pm.



Women's Winter Bible Study - Fulfilled Part 2

A 7-week women's Bible study beginning Feb. 18 and concluding on April 1. The course, titled "Fulfilled," is the second part of a two-part series by Ascension Press that examines the biblical foundations of the Catholic faith. The group will meet on Wednesdays 10-11:30 am at St. Therese. Cost is \$28 for materials due at 1st session. **Please call St. Therese office (262-694-4695) by Feb. 2 to register.**

Reminder - Special Collections & Foyer Donation Box

- 2nd Weekend each month: Maintenance Fund collection
 - Every 5th Sunday of the month, collection for special needs (Vincent de Paul, Pro-Life, etc.)
 Also, be aware there is a donation box at the front entrance of the church, with special needs listed.

Parish Support

Weekend of December 28, 2025 \$5,101.53
 Budgeted weekly need... \$5,567.00
 Over/Under budget (\$465.47)

Change in Saturday Confession Time: With the change in Mass time to 5:15 PM, Confessions will be heard from 4:15 PM to 5:00 PM.

REMINDER: Saturday evening Mass time at St. Therese has been changed to 5:15pm. Confessions are now 4:15 -5pm.

Annual Gathering for LIFE to be held on Saturday, January 24

Please join your fellow parishioners at Kenosha's annual Gathering for LIFE to be held Saturday, January 24th, from 10:30 - 11:30 am! This family friendly, prayerful demonstration of support for the protection of all human life is sponsored by the Kenosha Chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life. Signs and parking will be available in the Wendy's Restaurant parking lot, 3811 75th Street. Sign holding will be from 10:30 - 11:30 am at the intersection of 39th Avenue and 75th Street. Chili/soup fellowship to follow at Wendy's Restaurant. Everyone is invited! For further information, please call Marcia at 262-891-7665 or email: wrtlkenosha@yahoo.com.

Christian Women's Circle - Our next mtg is **Tues., 1/13 at 9 a.m.** We hope you will join us to meet new friends & learn about opportunities to support St. Therese, our community, and one another.

The **Holy Name Society** will be having a meeting on **Sunday, January 25 in the hall after the 8:30 am Mass.** All men of the parish are welcome.

Welcome them into eternal life...

*Father Campbell, Father McDermott, and the Parish community of St. Therese wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the families of Lawrence W. Klein, Sandra Lenegar, Ann Gersheski & Barbara Baruffi.
 O, Lord, comfort them in their time of sorrow and grief. Eternal rest grant unto them, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May they rest in the peace of Christ.*

Community Outreach Committee would like to say Thank You to everyone who picked a tag and shopped for a child in need this December. Because of your generosity and kindness, we were able to fulfill the wishes of **75 children** and provide each of them with a special gift.

Your gift to the Catholic Stewardship Appeal— whether large or small—makes a difference. Every gift is welcomed and needed to help out Church continue God's work in our communities. To donate, visit www.catholicappeal.org, text AP-PEAL2025 to 414-348-8330, or mail your check to Catholic Stewardship Appeal, 3501 S. Lake Drive, St. Francis, WI 53235

MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, January 12

8:00 AM † Betty Campbell (Catholic Woman's Club of Kenosha)

Tuesday, January 13

8:00 AM Intentions of Jan Sleyster (Fr. McDermott)

Wednesday, January 14

5:15 PM † Lawrence William Klein

Thursday, January 15

No Mass

Friday, January 16

8:00 AM † Lawrence Story

Saturday, January 17

5:15 PM † Jim Kopesky (Nancy-Sister)

Sunday, January 18

8:30 AM Fr. McDermott

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

Saints & Readings:

Week of January 11, 2026

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: St. Anthony, Abbot 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday 7:15 am to 2:30 pm
Closed Friday

Please submit bulletin announcements in writing to the Parish Office or e-mail to office@st-therese-kenosha.org 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	5:15 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	4:15 to 5:00 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	262-764-0083
Beth Sturino	Rel. Ed. Coor K-5	262-705-9097
Heather Schweitzer	Rel. Ed Coor 6-12	262-914-2288
Kris Granahan	Youth Group 6-12	262-331-4457
Liturgical Musician	Christopher Dill	651-253-4077

St. Therese supports two Catholic Schools:		
All Saints Catholic School		262-925-4000
St. Joseph Catholic Academy		262-654-8651

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6-12 Rel. Ed. Coor	religionseducation@olmckenosha.org	
Youth Group	youthgroup@olmckenosha.org	

Parish Staff

Pastor.....	Rev. Fr. Dwight P. Campbell, S.T.D.
Shared Associate Pastor.....	Rev. Fr. Robert T. McDermott
Rel. Ed. Coor.....	Beth Sturino
Liturgical Musician.....	Christopher Dill
Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor.....	Mary E. Vestal

Parish Pastoral Council

Jeanne Hlavacek, Trustee Treasurer	Tom Haskins
Steven Plato, Chairman	Barb Brooker
Claudia Volpentesta, Trustee Secretary	J. R. Roberts
Nancy January, Secretary	Alex Zenzola

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.