

# Third Sunday of Easter April 30, 2017

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## Mass Schedule 彌撒時間

**English Mass 英語彌撒**

**Daily Mass 平日彌撒:**

Monday - Saturday at 8:00am 每日 上午八時

**Sunday Mass 主日彌撒:**

**Saturday:** 5:00pm 星期六 下午五時正

**Sunday:** 8:00am & 10:30am (Except 1st Sunday of  
the Month) 主日上午8:00 & 10:30 (首主日除外)

**Cantonese 粵語:**

1st Sunday of each month at 10:30am  
每月第一主日 上午十時三十分

**Indonesian 印尼語:**

2nd Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon  
每月第二主日 中午十二時

**Mandarin 國語:**

4th Sunday of each month at 12:00noon  
每月第四主日 中午十二時

## Sacraments

**Baptisms:** Parents and Godparents  
must attend a baptismal preparation  
session before a baptism will be scheduled.

**Weddings:** Church arrangements must be  
made at least six months in advance, before  
booking a reception hall.

**Confessions:** Saturdays, 4:30-5:00 pm or  
by appointment.

The **Sacrament of the Anointing of the  
Sick** and **Communion Calls** are available to  
those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Please contact the church office for  
additional information.

# Mass Intentions

## *April 30, 2017 Third Sunday of Easter*

8:00 A.M. + Pasquale Salerno by Family  
+ Lia Kawazoye by Darlene & Chris Lowe

10:30 A.M. For Healing Comfort for Roberta Cheong by St. Therese Choir

## *MON. May 1st Saint Joseph the Worker*

8:00 A.M. + Josie & Bob Kawazoye by Linda & Michele

## *TUE. May 2nd Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

8:00 A.M. + Keith & Steve Kawazoye by Linda & Michele

## *WED. May 3rd Saint Phillip and Saint James, Apostles*

8:00 A.M. + Josie Lia Kawazoye by Annie Lowe

## *THU. May 4th Weekday*

8:00 A.M. + Jennie Bertucci by Briglio Family

## *FRI. May 5th Weekday*

8:00 A.M. In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus by Dominic Barbaro  
+ Antoinette Briglio & Family by Family

## *SAT. May 6th Weekday*

8:00 A.M. In Honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Dominic Barbaro

5:00 P.M. For Family & Friends of St. Therese Parish  
+ Josie Kawazoye by Oy



## *From the Desk of Fr. Francis*

**Greetings of Christ's Peace and Joy! Hope you all had a blessed week.**

### **Thanks and Congratulations**

Thanks to all who have made a generous Easter offering to our parish. Your contribution is needed and greatly appreciated. If you haven't, but would like to, you may still contribute.

Thanks to **Jennifer Sin, Deacon Daniel** and **Sr. Caritas** for organizing the showing of the Wall-E movie. It is part of our parish efforts to be a better environmental steward. More education and concrete steps will follow in the weeks ahead.

Thanks to **Pat Culen** and **Nick Andriacchi**, and all adults who helped with our Teen Gathering on Sat. April 22<sup>nd</sup>. It was good to see a few new faces to join them on that day.

Congratulations to **Matthew Maggiore, Jr.**, son of Matthew Maggiore and Martina Spalla. Matthew was baptized last Sunday. We welcome him and rejoice with him and his family.



### **Scripture and Eucharist**

As we continue to hear the stories of the appearances of the Risen Lord, today's story of the road to Emmaus is a powerful reminder of the journey of our faith. After Jesus' horrifying crucifixion, two of his disciples were on their way to Emmaus, fleeing away from Jerusalem. Little did they know, the Risen Lord accompanied them on their journey and shared with them on the things happened with Jesus. Referring Jesus in all the Scriptures, they were impressed with his knowledge. In fact, their hearts were burning and so they invited him to stay with them. It was until later when they broke bread together, then their eyes were opened and they recognized the Risen Lord.

In reflecting this Scriptural passage, Pope Francis wrote:

The road to Emmaus thus becomes a symbol of our journey of faith: the Scriptures and the Eucharist are the indispensable elements for encountering the Lord. We too often go to Sunday mass with our worries, difficulties and disappointments...life sometimes wounds us and we go away feeling sad, towards our "Emmaus," turning our backs on God's plan. We distance ourselves from God. But the Liturgy of the Word welcomes us: Jesus explains the "Scriptures to us and rekindles in our hearts the warmth of faith and hope, and in Communion he gives us strength. ... This is what happened to the disciples of Emmaus: they received the Word; they shared the breaking of Bread and from feeling sad and defeated they became joyful. Dear brothers and sisters, the Word of God and the Eucharist fill us with joy always. Remember it well!! When you are sad, take up the Word of God and go to Sunday Mass and receive Communion, to participate in the mystery of Jesus. The Word of God, the Eucharist: they fill us with joy.

I found Pope Francis' interpretation of the story to be very helpful. I hope his wisdom can inspire you as you continue to open the Scriptures and break the bread.

*Peace ~ Fr. Francis*

**St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church**  
**Archdiocesan Center for Chinese Apostolate**



**Parish Description**

We are a vibrant, multi-cultural Catholic Church and the Center for Chinese Apostolate in the Archdiocese of Chicago. We promote Catholic values and serve Chinatown and the surrounding neighborhoods in welcoming all to share the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments, and perform charitable works.

**Parish Vision**

To be Jesus Christ in Chinatown and Beyond

**Parish Mission**

- to faithfully reflect the love and joy of Christ by welcoming all to the Catholic community;
- to joyfully celebrate our ethnic cultures as devoted disciples of Christ;
- to compassionately serve as a home in particular to Chinese Catholics and immigrants; and
- to actively empower all to practice the Catholic faith and become a part of the universal Church.

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***Hospitality Schedule for May 7, 2017:***

**GREETERS: Alison Chan, Regina Cheong, Jean Ng**

**RECEPTION: First Holy Communion**

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**Today's Liturgy – April 30, 2017**

**Readings: GATHER 1067 - Third Sunday of Easter**

**Gather Hymnal**

**PROCESSIONAL: #607– Sing a New Song**

**OFFERTORY: #919 – I Come with Joy**

**COMMUNION: #527 – I Know That My Redeemer Lives!**

**RECESSIONAL: #881 - Lift High the Cross**

## News and Events



**Lydia Grace Setter**, daughter of Kerry & Eric Setter will be baptized today. Please keep Lydia and her family in your prayers as we welcome her to St. Therese!

**FIRST FRIDAY**, Holy Hour and Benediction is on May 5th at 7pm in Church. All are welcome.

### MAY CROWNING

Our School and Religious Education students will lead our parish with a May Crowning ceremony at the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, on May 7th.



**SMI May Crowning** will take place on Sunday May 7th at 12 noon.

### Cantonese Mass

May Cantonese Mass is changed to May 21st at the 10:30am Mass.

June Cantonese Mass is changed to June 11th at the 10:30am Mass due to Confirmation on June 4th.

### ST. JAMES FOOD PANTRY

Volunteers needed **Saturday, May 13, 2017**  
We begin at 8:30am until about 11:00am.  
Please consider sharing your time and talents to serve others. Sign up at the church entrance table.



### Wedding Banns:

**Rocco Caponigri** and **Luz Huera-mo** will get married on May 13th, and **Joseph Lowe** and **Naomi**

**Chan** on May 20th. Please keep them in your prayers.

### PRAYER/ Faith Sharing Group

will meet on Friday, May 12, 2017 at 7pm in a designated RE Room. Draw closer to Jesus by praying with Scripture. All are welcome!

### Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital Patients:

Michael, Sylvia, Joseph, Francisco, Antonia, Joe, Richard, Mercedes, Darlene, Robin, Donelda, Cheri, Jesus, Cynthia, Susan, Miriam, Diana, Leo, Geraldine, George, Holly, Anthony, Odesa., William, Mary, Jesus, Valerie, Elaine, Susan, Ometress, Reta, James, Georgia



### CLOTHING DRIVE

The St. Barbara, St. Vincent de Paul Society's semi-annual clothing drive takes place the weekend of May 13-14. Clothing and shoes accepted by the St. Vincent de Paul trailer at St. Barbara's parking lot, 2859 S. Throop St.  
*Saturday, May 13: 8:30am-5:30pm*  
*Sunday, May 14: 8:30am-2:00pm*

### Catholic Charities 44th Annual Senior Unity Mass – June 1

In celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago, Rev. Monsignor Michael M. Boland invites all senior citizens to Catholic Charities 44th Annual Senior Unity Mass on Thursday, June 1, at 10 a.m. Mass is held at Holy Family Church, 1080 W. Roosevelt Rd. in Chicago. A social gathering, information fair, and free hot luncheon will be held immediately following the service. Free parking is conveniently available for cars and buses. Reservation is required, space is limited. For reservations, contact (312) 655-7425 or [keenager@catholiccharities.net](mailto:keenager@catholiccharities.net)

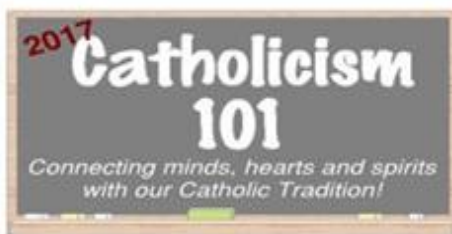
Please pray for the following students as they prepare for their  
1st Holy Communion on Sunday, May 7th at the 10:30am Mass:



Ysabelle Balogun  
Abigail Chan  
Parker Chien Paduck  
Christopher Gin  
Olivia Groh  
Nichelle Gyabin  
Elijah Hueramo  
Vivian Kusnoto

Joseph Mark  
Gabriel Moy  
Kaitlyn Mui  
Anais Ng-Ortega  
Clark Plebanski  
Marco Romallosa  
Matthew Tong  
Alexis Zhang

Feeling a little rusty on your catechesis? Brush up on what it means to be a Catholic in an hour on a handful of Sundays with St. Therese Church's Faith Formation Series!



March 19	Liturgy - Why do we have to go to Mass?
<b>April 30</b>	<b>Sacraments - Why do we need them?</b> Shared by Sr. Caritas St. Therese Church Community Room 11:45 a.m.
May 21	The Bible - Everything in the Bible is true and some of it actually happened!
June 11	Moral Life - How do I love God?
September 17	Social Justice - How do I love my neighbor?
October 15	Creed - What do we truly believe?
November 19	The Liturgical Year - Why did we change colors and what page are we on in the new book??



**Easter 2017 Donations as of 04/26/17 Total: \$24,083**

**Thanks to ALL who Donated!**

Cheryl & Anthony Divittorio	\$60
Joseph Donzelli	\$50
Megumi Hayashi	\$30
Raymond Chin	\$1,000
Lucy & Victor Moy	\$100
Bo Chung Yau	\$100
Carmen Orendain	\$25
Joe Difazio	\$10
Agnes Lee	\$10
Janet & Thomas Groh	\$200
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**Weekly Offering:**

Collection for April 23, 2017

Sunday Envelopes	\$1,372		
GiveCentral	190	July 1-To-Present (Actual):	\$84,025.02
Sunday Loose	\$ 366	July 1-To -Present (Budget):	\$84,000
<u>Total Collection</u>	<u>\$1,928</u>		

Weekly Budget: \$2,000 % of Budget Attained: 100%

Please consider giving one hour of **your weekly salary as your contribution.**

***May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU!***

***Collection at Mandarin Mass on 4/23/17: \$508 Thank YOU!***

# St. Therese 15-Day China Pilgrimage and Tour Led by Fr. Francis Li

Early August, 2017

See Fr. Li's home town of Hong Dong in Shan Xi province, the largest Catholic province in China, Hebei province, Taiyuan, Shijiazhuang, Beijing, Xian, and Shanghai.



Visit Cathedrals, Churches and Holy sites and tour The Great Wall, Tiananmen Square, and see the Terra-Cotta Warriors.



Land cost: \$1800

Airfare: \$900 to \$1300 expected

Four star hotels, double occupancy, three meals per day plus all tour fees, transportation within China, English speaking tour guides.

Maximum of 20 People

Registration and Deposit required by May 24, 2017.



Contact George Lee at 312-719-0233 for more information





# Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, hospitalized, and homebound...

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If you wish to add a name or remove your name from this list, please call the parish office.

## "FAITH, Mercy's Gift"

There are times in our lives when people give us gifts or when people are unexpectedly kind to us. We feel we do not deserve this kindness and we may be surprised. We are very grateful.

God has given us the gift of FAITH. We have done nothing to deserve it. It is like all gifts. It is not something we earned, nor can faith be bought or bargained for. God freely, generously, and unconditionally gives it to us. Why do we receive this priceless gift and others do not? We do not know. It is God, in His loving mercy, who freely gives us this gift.

The disciples and apostles gradually grew in this gift of faith that Jesus was giving them. In today's Gospel, we hear of Jesus showing them Himself risen from the dead. This is a powerful and new dimension, challenging them and leading them to deeper faith. Thomas missed the first appearance but Jesus returns perhaps especially for Thomas. Thomas says unless he touches Jesus wounds, he will not believe. In an expression of His mercy and love, Jesus tells Thomas to touch His hands and side..."do not be unbelieving but believe." Thomas responds with a deep faith, "My Lord and my God."

God has given us this same gift of faith. It is one of the many ways God shows us His love and mercy through Jesus. Do you treasure this gift? Do you try to grow in Faith? Do you ask God for more faith? Do you ever study or read about our faith to learn more? When opportunities are given to understand more deeply the mysteries of our faith, do you stay for the talks? Think about and look at your gift of faith. Will you respond from the depths of your heart and soul like Thomas? "My Lord and my God!"

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In December, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Nangong, Hebei, China, was destroyed by a fire; since then, St. Therese has been assisting in their efforts to rebuild. Proceeds from this concert will further support this endeavor towards *life* in the Church, *liberty* to worship, and *love* of Christ. Light refreshments to follow the concert.

***Le Cantanti*** is a premier women's choir committed to using their voices to promote peace, hope, and wholeness in the world. Its members include St. Therese parishioners Gretta Chamberlain and Wendy Sin; St. Therese School alumnae Jenny Hsu and Olivia Pon; and former STS music teacher Dilanthi Fernando (director).



***Sacred Sound*** assists the St. Therese congregation in prayer each Sunday at the 10:30am mass.

***23/7***'s rhythm and percussion musicians will return from their hiatus to lend support to this very meaningful event.