

# Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## June 25, 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

## *June 25, 2017 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**8:00 A.M.** In Thanksgiving to the Saints for favor granted by Phyllis and Rosemarie Centofanti

**10:30A.M.** For Family & Friends of St. Therese Parish  
+ Woodie Lee by Kenny & Jean Ng  
+ Kok Gee Young by daughter Jean Wong & Family

**12:00P.M.** **Mandarin Mass**

**MON. June 26th** *Weekday*

**8:00 A.M.**

**TUE. June 27th** *Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**8:00 A.M.**

**WED. June 28th** *Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr*

**8:00 A.M.** + David Jarzyna, Remembrance of our 59th Wedding Anniversary by Wife Cookie  
+ Forsaken and Unknown Souls in Purgatory by Dominic Barbaro  
+ Frank Roti, Sr. by Marion & Cookie

**THU. June 29th** *Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles*

**8:00 A.M.** + Joseph Leung, Birthday Remembrance by wife Marilyn  
+ Bruno Spina by Briglio Family  
+ Antoinette Briglio by Briglio Family

**FRI. June 30th** *The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church*

**8:00 A.M.** + Fred Coco by Oy and Family

**SAT. July 1st** *Blessed Junipero Serra, Priest*

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



## *From the Desk of Fr. Francis*

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

### **Thanks**

Thanks to members of our Young Adult Leadership team and Hospitality Ministers for sponsoring a wonderful party for Fr. Daniel last Sunday.

Thanks to Rose and Perry Lau for their help to decorate our Church with green altar linens for Ordinary Time.

### **Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

This past Friday, we celebrated the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. This month is known as the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Devotion to the Sacred Heart has begun since the year 1672. "On repeated occasions, Jesus appeared to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, a Visitation nun, in France, and during these apparitions He explained to her the devotion to His Sacred Heart as He wanted people to practice it: He asked to be honored in the symbol of His Heart of flesh; He asked for acts of reparation, for frequent Communion, Communion on the First Friday of the month, and the keeping of the Holy Hour."

Traditionally, we believe that Jesus made 12 promises to those who practice this special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The 12 promises are:

- (1) *I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.*
- (2) *I will establish peace in their homes.*
- (3) *I will comfort them in all their afflictions.*
- (4) *I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.*
- (5) *I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.*
- (6) *Sinners will find in my heart the source and Infinite Ocean of mercy.*
- (7) *Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.*
- (8) *Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.*
- (9) *I will bless every place in which an image of my heart is exposed and honored.*
- (10) *I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.*
- (11) *Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.*
- (12) *I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.*

**In our parish, we have begun 1<sup>st</sup> Friday devotions two years ago. On the first Friday of each month, we have Holy Hour with exposition of the most Holy Eucharist, recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplets, and Benediction. I encourage you to participate in this very prayerful and spiritual devotion.**

*Peace ~ Fr. Francis*



# St. Therese Chinese Catholic Parish

## PARISH PICNIC



**Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>  
2017  
12:30 - 7:00pm**



**Location: 31st Street Beach  
31st Street at Lake Shore Drive**



***Free***

# **Summer FUN!**

 **BBQ**

 **GAMES**

 **FELLOWSHIP**

**ALL in the Parish are invited!**

*We especially welcome the visiting Bishop and priests from China as well as other religious communities.*

**All are welcome to bring a dish to share with the community.**



Free BUS SERVICE to Picnic site available at **12:45 & 1:30pm** in front of church.  
Return bus rides available towards the end of the event.

**\*REQUIREMENT: You MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND by signing up at the church entrance table, or by calling the church office (312-842-6777).**

*Hospitality Schedule for July 2, 2017:*

**GREETERS:** Steve Casey, Alison Chan, Rose Lau

**RECEPTION:** TBA

**Today's Liturgy – June 25, 2017**

**Readings: GATHER 1125 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year A**

**PROCESSIONAL: #606 – Glory and Praise to Our God**

**OFFERTORY: #695 – You Are Near**

**COMMUNION: #645 – Amazing Grace**

**RECESSIONAL: #641 – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

## News and Events

### Sunday 5pm Vigil Mass

Our Summer Sunday mass schedule has begun. From June 24th to August 26th, we will not have the 5pm Sunday Vigil Mass. 5pm Vigil Mass resumes on Sat. Sept. 2nd.

**Baptism:** **Frank Alexander Lee Saavedra**, son of Frank Saavedra and Nicole Lee, will be baptized on Sunday June 25th. Please keep Frank in your prayers.

**Wedding Banns:** **Bradley Adam Hilbrich** and **Qi Lin** will celebrate their marriage on July 1st, 2017. Please keep them in your prayers.

### Cantonese Mass

Our next Cantonese mass will be on July 2nd at the 10:30am. Fr. John Cuff will preside at that mass.

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



Melody, Wanda, Geraldine, Paris, Courtine, Florence, Derrick, Myra, Marian, Harry, George, Beatriz, Lillian, Bessie, Michael, Steven, Nazaree, Peter, William, Johnnie, Rochelle, Harry

### ST. JAMES FOOD PANTRY

Volunteers needed **Saturday, July 8, 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.

### Calling ALL YOUTH!



Summer Fair planning meetings in the ST Church Community Room on Sundays until Summer Fair, from 10:30 am to 1 pm. Dates: **6/25, 7/2, 7/9**. Light healthy snacks

served! Supervised by Youth Ministry Team: *Pat Culen, Steve Lee, Scott Plebanski, Jenny Plebanski, and Albert Moy*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**—Junior High & High School students, their family & friends, from approximately 8am to 6 pm (morning & afternoon shifts) in a variety of positions like keeping the dining area clean, transporting foods to the food tent, food packing, set up and clean up at the **Chinatown Summer Fair on Sunday, July 16**. The parish usually provides pizza for lunch and great mentoring. Please reply to Jennifer Sin, if you can help.

[jennifernsin@gmail.com](mailto:jennifernsin@gmail.com)

### VIRTUS TRAINING

**Sunday, July 9th at 12 noon**, a VIRTUS training session will be held at the school. All parish summer fair volunteers are encouraged to attend. To register, please go to **Virtus.org**, create a username, and then find the St. Therese session on July 9th and register. Tom Howard will be the facilitator.

### 27th U.S. CATHOLIC CHINA BUREAU NATIONAL CONFERENCE

**Theme: "Experience of the China Church in the 21st Century"**

**August 11-13, 2017**

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For more info: [www.uscatholicchina.org](http://www.uscatholicchina.org)



## Promoting the RCIA through Threshold Conversations

Sister Caritas recently recounted her unique experience of her ride home from Midway Airport. “After sharing tidbits from our journeys of faith, the Holy Spirit inspired me to invite the person I was sitting with on the plane to share a ride home. To my surprise, her husband was waiting at the gate and they dropped me off right at my front door!”

This story, I believe, highlights important qualities for RCIA recruitment:

1. Everything good and holy is born out of a relationship.
2. Strangers are just friends we have not yet met.
3. Sharing one’s faith with a stranger is an effective way to break the ice in a conversation.
4. God often surprises his friends when they are courageous and witness their faith with others.

The most effective way to promote the RCIA is to have what is called a “threshold conversation.” The goal of threshold conversations is not to preach, catechize, judge, or defend a particular Church dogma or doctrine, but rather to listen lovingly and carefully to “the seeds of faith” in others.

I encourage each of you reach out to someone this week with a threshold conversation. Sister established a new relationship through her threshold conversations. The more threshold conversations, the more seeds are planted for RCIA. RCIA flyers can be found in the entrance area of the Church.

~ Thomas M. Howard

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## St. Therese College Scholarship Application

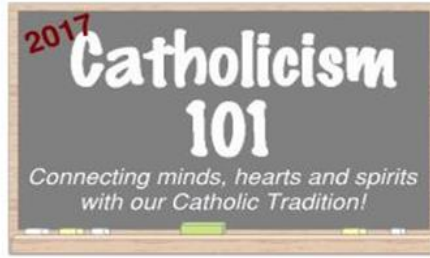


Through the generosity of an alumnus of St. Therese School, we have been able to award scholarship grants since 2001, to help young people advance their studies. The donor of this scholarship fund, who wants to remain anonymous, grew up in Chinatown during the 1950s and was helped by the Catholic Church. After achieving professional and financial success in his life, in year 2000, he made a significant donation to set up this scholarship fund to help others at St. Therese, especially those who have demonstrated a spirit of sharing and service.

**Each award is a \$1,000 lump sum payment.** The Scholarship Application Form with detailed criteria is available at the church entrance table. Service at St. Therese Church is a requirement.

**Deadline for Application and supporting documents: July 10, 2017.**

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?
- April 30 Sacraments - Why do we need them?
- 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?

***Enjoy your summer, but save the date!***

**September 17 Social Justice - How do I love my neighbor?**  
Shared by Mr. James Eler  
St. Therese Church at 11:45 a.m.

- 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??

### Weekly Offering:

Collection for June 18, 2017

Sunday Envelopes	\$1,130		
GiveCentral	190	July 1-To-Present (Actual):	\$100,661.02
<u>Sunday Loose</u>	<u>\$ 301</u>	July 1-To -Present (Budget):	\$100,000
Total Collection	\$1,621		

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!***

Peter's Pence Collection  
*Be a Witness of*  
**Charity**

*"A little mercy makes the world less cold and more just."*

—Pope Francis, *Angelus*, March 17, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend, our Archdiocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection. Our participation supports the charitable work of Pope Francis as he reaches out to those who are marginalized and suffering around the globe. By supporting this collection, you join the Holy Father in bringing a little more mercy into the world.

Pope Francis called to us in his 2016 *Urbi et Orbi* address, "May efforts be made everywhere to promote the culture of encounter, justice and reciprocal respect, which alone can guarantee the spiritual and material welfare of all people." We are taking up this collection to be part of the Church's effort to promote a culture of encounter and justice. Your support makes it possible for the Holy Father to carry out his charitable works around the world, to help victims of war, natural disasters, and other difficult situations.

Let us join with our brothers and sisters in faith from around the globe to help Pope Francis reach the marginalized in our world. Please prayerfully consider how you can best support the collection this year. For more information about the collection, please visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).

Thank you, and may God bless you abundantly.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Blasé Cupich  
Archbishop of Chicago

**For more information, please visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).**





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

Rosetta Roti  
Katherine Culen  
Amelia Lorraine Schroeder  
Karl Schroeder  
Phil Maraldi  
Jerry Ecklund  
Vincent Thome  
Barbara McElroy  
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Mark Donato  
Joyce Eng  
Lan Ying Yee  
Ching Shiu Yau  
Henry F. Wong  
Matthew Mantia  
Phyllis Centofanti  
Susan Zibricky  
Barbara Metzinger  
James Rak

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

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### "God Values Us with Infinite Love"

One of the Societies that exist in our society is the Audubon Society. The people in this group are concerned for birds. There are many people who do bird watching and count how many of a certain kind of bird they see. Some others look for a variety of birds.

In today's reading Jesus is speaking to His disciples and tells them about sparrows. In our country sparrows are one of the very common birds. They are small and brown. We see them in many places. They are not one of the kinds that many people look for. They are so common people do not notice them too much. In Jesus' time sparrows could be purchased for very little. Jesus tells us that even if they seem of little worth, God knows when one of them dies. Jesus tells us we are more precious than bunches of sparrows.

Do you know how many hairs you have on your head at any given time? Jesus tells us God knows even though we do not know. Even a mother combing her child's hair does not know exactly how many hairs there are. God is so intimately concerned about us, He knows everything about us. He loves us no matter what. This can give us the assurance that we have nothing to fear. When we become afraid we can remember how much God cares for us like the birds of the air or the lilies of the field. God's loving care and support is always around us. ***"So do not be afraid; you are worth more (to God) than many sparrows."***

**Sister Caritas**



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**Save the Date - Sun, July 16**



Ten years ago, summers for St. Therese's parishioners changed forever...  
...by the Chinatown Summer Fair beef stick!

**Volunteers** (Jr. High & up) are **NEEDED** for St. Therese's **BIGGEST** fundraiser of the year!  
Please see the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church or Chris Lowe (chris@chrislowe.us) for more information.



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1st Price - 15% of Winner's Pot  
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Church Office



**CHINATOWN SUMMER FAIR**  
 Sunday, July 16, 2017   
**ST. THERESE CHINESE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 Booth located at Wentworth and Alexander

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**PLEASE REDEEM BEFORE 2:00PM TO ENSURE AVAILABILITY!**  
 Meal includes your choice of one: **\$8.00**  
 Teriyaki Chicken, Teriyaki Pork Steak, or Shrimp Stick  
 Plus veggie rice, spring roll & fortune cookie  
**FREE BOTTLE OF WATER OR SODA WITH ADVANCE TICKET PURCHASE!**



**GET YOUR MEAL TICKETS NOW!!**  
 AVAILABLE after the 10:30am Mass OR please contact church office to purchase tickets or make a donation! **THANK YOU** for your support!!!