

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 23, 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

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8:00 A.M. + David Jarzyna by Wife Cookie
+ Peter F. Caruso by Caruso Family
+ Woodie Lee by Caruso Family
+ Young D. Chin by Hubert, Kathleen & Family

10:30A.M. For Family & Friends of St. Therese Parish
For Healing Comfort for Lai I. Fan by Regina Cheong & Family
+ Woodie Lee by Doreen & Joe Eng
+ Young D. Chin by Nicole, Darlene & Chris

MON. July 24th *Saint Sharbei MakhluF, Priest*

8:00 A.M. + James J. Frale by Frale Family

TUE. July 25th *Saint James, Apostle*

8:00 A.M.

WED. July 26th *Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 A.M. + Rose Bertucci by Dominic Barbaro
+ Emma Barbara by Daughter

THU. July 27th *Weekday*

8: 00 A.M

FRI. July 28th *Weekday*

8:00 A.M. + Frank Barbaro by Dominic Barbaro

SAT. July 29th *Saint Martha*

8:00 A.M. + Young D. Chin by June Moy



From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

Thanks

Thank God for a beautiful day for our annual Summer Fair Fundraiser. It was a huge success! Without saying, I am very grateful to all volunteers and especially to the event leaders and coordinators---**Chris Lowe, Jennifer Sin** and **Janice Lin**. Many of you worked so hard in the days ahead of the Fair, and of course on the day of the fair, and on the day after the fair. Your dedication not only showed our visitors the spirit of St. Therese, but also made this fundraiser a success. St. Therese is truly blessed to have all of you. I can't start to name names, because I know I will miss many of you. We had over a hundred volunteers! You all came together and showed your love for St. Therese. **Thank YOU!**

Peace ~ Fr. Francis



2017 SUMMER FAIR FUN



Today's Liturgy – July 23, 2017

**Readings: GATHER 1137 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year A
GATHER HYMNAL**

PROCESSIONAL: #638 – We Gather Together

OFFERTORY: #658 – Seek Ye First

COMMUNION: #916 – I Receive the Living God

RECESSIONAL: #734 – Bring Forth the Kingdom

News and Events



Wedding Banns

Jennifer Sin and Jacob Mellor will be married on Sat. July 29th. Please keep them in your prayers!

1st Asian Community Mass
Will take place today at St. Henry Church, beginning with a procession at 4pm followed by mass presided by Cardinal Cupich at 5pm.



Please pray for the following
Mercy Hospital Patients:

Pamela, Cory, Beverly, Willie, Cynthia, Davis, Glennie, David, Larry, Calvin, Carolyn, George, Adonis, Luis, Erma, Jacqueline, Lue, Edward, Betty

Sunday 5pm Vigil Mass

Our 5pm Vigil Mass resumes on Sat. Sept. 2nd.

Hospitality Schedule for July 30, 2017:

GREETERS: Darlene, Joey, Regina

RECEPTION: Ellen, Emily, Kim

Mass Schedule for Aug. 13th:

Our Annual St. Rocco Feast will take place on Sunday, Aug. 13th at 10:30am and on that Sunday our regular 8am mass and 10:30am mass will be **combined to a 9:00am mass.**

Please mark your calendar and attend either the 9am mass or the 10:30am mass on Aug. 13th.

Thank YOU!

Mass Schedule for Sept. 9th and 10th:

Our Annual SMI celebration will be on Sunday, Sept. 10th at 11:00am and on that Sunday our regular 8:00am and 10:30am mass will **be combined to a 9:00am mass.** Please mark your calendar and attend either the 5:00pm mass on Sept. 9th or the 9:00am or 11:00am masses on Sept. 10th.

The St. Therese Parish Religious Education Program



is looking for Catechists and assistant catechists. You provide the enthusiasm and we'll provide the training.

Classes begin on September 17, 2017

Free Community Health Fair – August 12, 2017

Catholic Charities is hosting a free community health fair on Saturday, Aug. 12, at St. Gall Parish, 5500 S. Kedzie Ave. in **Chicago**. The health fair offers free medical screenings and physical exams for adults and children; free back to school physicals for children. Registration for all participants: 8am-10:30am at each location. All health fairs: 9am to noon. There is no co-payment and identification is not required to receive services. All of the screenings are done by medical professional volunteers, many of whom are bilingual. For more info: (312) 655-7441.

**07/16/2017 Chinatown Summer Fair -St. Therese Church Booth
Financial Result as of July 20, 2017**

BBQ Sale	\$4,944
Voucher Pre Sale	1,224
50/50 Raffles	3,260
Water Dunk	382
Basketball Game	343
Goldfish	224
Lemonade Stand	246
Ministry Booth	163
\$1 Raffle	267
Calligraphy	200
Church Tours	43

Total of All Booth Receipts \$11,296

Monetary Donations	\$ 1,940
Cost Donations	<u>2,715</u>

Total RECEIPTS: \$15,951

EXPENSES

Cost of Food & Supplies:	\$2,715
50/50 Raffle Payout- gross:	<u>\$1,630</u>

Total EXPENSES: \$4,345

NET PROFIT: \$11,606

NOTE: Cost does not include 2 trays of fried rice donated by Won Kow Restaurant, and beverages donated by PepsiCo.

Special THANKS to our food booth sponsor, Keeley Food Service, and to Alderman Solis, PepsiCo, Fat Lee Supermarket, Acuario Piscis Pet Shop & Grooming, Nick & Ellen Andriacchi, Chris & Darlene Lowe, Jennifer Sin, Jacob Mellor, Janice Lin, Tony Lin, Joseph & Naomi Lowe, John Moy, Pat Culen, Ricobene's Pizza, and Connie's Pizza, who together donated 100% of the cost of food, beverages and supplies.

Special THANKS to a raffle winner who donated back \$500 of the winning.

Gift Cards were also donated by restaurants: Cai, Joy Yee, Grand Palace, Evergreen, Phoenix, My Place, Mongolian Hot Pot, Legend Tasty House, and Kung Fu Tea.

People who arranged for donations: Janice Lin, Debbe Oi, Bernie Wong, Perry Lau, Benny Wong, and Chris Lowe

Fruits from the RCIA TEAM at St. Therese



From Success to Faithfulness: A Spirituality for Promoting the RCIA

Today's liturgy makes it crystal clear that when it comes to promoting the RCIA at St. Therese, perfection is neither the expectation nor the norm. St. Paul reminds us, "The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness."

Certainly, facing the challenge to authentically reach out to others can be intimidating. I am very grateful for how the Holy Spirit continues to pour out the gifts of hope, love and courage in my own life to be a missionary disciple. When we are in relationship with God, anything is possible.

For me, starting conversations comes naturally; I understand, however, that this may not be the case for many. For the next few weeks, therefore, this column dedicates itself to identifying effective and efficient ways to initiate faith conversations. One clue: **relationships are key.**

In the meantime, feel free to grab a few RCIA flyers found in the entrance area of the Church to share with your neighbors and friends.

God Bless! ~ Thomas M. Howard

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Parish Religious Education Program

**Classes will begin on Sunday, September 17, 2017
for children in Grades one to eight.
Registration forms are located at the entrance of the church.**

For more information contact
Chris Delfin at ChrisDelfin@gmail.com
or call the rectory at 312-842-6777.



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

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Ching Shiu Yau
Henry F. Wong
Matthew Mantia
Phyllis Centofanti
Susan Zibricky
Barbara Metzinger

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

"NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE"

Do you every watch the news or listen to the daily radio broadcast of what is happening in our society and with our world today? We can hear all the evil and bad things that are happening and be very disturbed by it. In one way I am glad that bad and evil things are still news. I am not happy about the frantic mindset that this continuous repetition creates in us. We can come to think that there is only evil or bad things in our world. We can see "Only WEEDS" that "the enemy has sown." Yet if we go out and look for ourselves, we can find countless people who are helping others, who are caring about situations, who are donating monies for the cures, for earth quake victims, for flood victims, for people in need of help. Truly those people are the "good seed".

In the Gospel today, Jesus tells a story about a man who planted good seed and when things start to grow, the helpers find weeds all through the field as well as good growth. The helpers want to tear out the weeds but the farmer tells them to wait until harvest unless the pulling up of the weeds also destroys the good plants. We can often look at others and the various actions that seem to have evil results and call it "weeds", evil people. We can even look at ourselves and see only our failures, our incomplete actions and efforts. We see that in us which is not all that we want it to be. These "weed thoughts" can discourage us and blind us to whom we really are. They help us to forget the generous and kind things we do. We forget the helpful kind words we say, the talents we have which we so readily give to others in need. We are like the field with good seeds and weeds growing together. God gives the grace for us to have a greater amount of good in our lives than bad. With grace and effort, time and work, we can become virtuous, holy people. We can be more good plants than weeds. We have to ask for the grace and help. We have to listen to God's word and pray. Most of all we have to trust and believe "that nothing is impossible with God." The weed of discouragement growing in our lives chokes out the good seed. The love of others and the good seed of trust in the power of God, fertilize the good ground, strengthen the good plants, and keep the weeds out. God can do wonders with us. In the Old Testament God did raise up an army out of dry, dead bones. Nothing is impossible. Peter did walk on water.

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