

The Transfiguration of the Lord

August 6, 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.+ Young D. Chin by Matt & Amy Chan & Family
+ Josie Kawazoye by Oy
+ Mae Brenmark by Oy

10:30A.M. For Family & Friends of St. Therese Parish
+ Joanna Wi Nin Wan Law by Jimmy & Loretta Yu
+ Woodie Lee by Maria Lowe
+ Joyce Eng by Cynthia & Jeff Poon
+ Byang Chil Park by Sheila & John Lin & Family
+ Menacita (Mary) Chan by Richard & Lily May

MON. Aug. 7th *Saint Cajetan, Priest; Saint Sixtus I and Companions, Martyrs*

8:00 A.M. + Barry Yong by June Moy
+ Menacita (Mary) Chan by Richard & Lily May

TUE. Aug. 8th *Saint Dominic, Priest*

8:00 A.M. In Honor of Saint Dominic by Francesca Barbaro
+ Lia Kawazoye by Michele & Linda
+ Jerry Young by Michele & Linda
+ Menacita (Mary) Chan by Woody & Gerri Moy

WED. Aug. 9th *Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr*

8:00 A.M. + Menacita (Mary) Chan by T.J., Cynthia & Susan
+ Birthday Remembrance of MaryAnn Nardi by Marion Roti

THU. Aug. 10th *Saint Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr*

8: 00 A.M + Menacita (Mary) Chan by Marie Oy Chan

FRI. Aug. 11th *Saint Clare, Virgin*

8:00 A.M. + Menacita (Mary) Chan by Matt & Amy Chan & Family

SAT. Aug. 12th *Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious*

8:00 A.M. Special Intention by Michele & Linda
+ Menacita (Mary) Chan by Lucy Moy



From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Jennifer Sin** and **Jacob Mellor** who celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony on Sat. July 29th. We rejoice with them and assure them of our prayers as they begin their married life together.

Congratulations to **Matthew Wong**, **Lauren Yee**, and **Matthew Lee**! They are this year's winners of the St. Therese College Scholarship Award. May they continue to succeed in their college studies



The Transfiguration of the Lord

Below is a short excerpt from Father Greg Friedman's explanation of this Sunday's Gospel. I hope it will help you to understand the Gospel better.

Religious composer Marty Haugen has a musical collection called *The Song of Mark*, which features stories from that Gospel. One song, called "So Good to Be Here," is a delightful number that has the three disciples present at the Transfiguration on the mountaintop with Jesus, singing how nice it is to be with Jesus on the mountain of Tabor, where all their troubles seem so far away.

Peter, as we hear in the Gospel read in church this Sunday, wants to set up camp on the mountaintop. You get the impression he'd be happy staying right there. I suspect we all sometimes share that sentiment. The good feelings we may get from the Sunday Mass or a great retreat experience tempt us to stay put, to bask in the glow of the transfigured light of Jesus.

But there's a real world out there. The problems and obstacles to the Good News confront us there. With Christ, as composer Marty Haugen reminds us in his gospel song, we must go back down the mountain--to suffer, die, and rise to new life .

Peace ~ Fr. Francis

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Hospitality Schedule for August 13, 2017:

GREETERS: Jennifer Sin, Daniel Rak, Tim Tie

RECEPTION: Earl, Jean Wong, Jorge

Today's Liturgy – August 6, 2017

**Readings: GATHER 1207 - The Transfiguration of the Lord
CANTONESE MASS - CHINESE HYMNAL**

PROCESSIONAL: #28 – 露德聖母 Immaculate Mary

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News and Events

St. James Food Pantry

Volunteers needed **Saturday, August 12, 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.

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 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



Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital Patients:

Lucille, Ollie, Patricia, Paul, Alexandru, Walter, Joyce, Juanita, Clarence, Jesus, Cynthia, Fred, Donna, Danielle, Jimmy, Linda, Leslie, Jose, Harry, Ira, Everleola, Yuk, Jerome, Gloria, Thomas, Vernon, Alice

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Tuesday, August 15th is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation. The masses are at 8am and 7pm.

St. Jerome Croatian Parish

Celebrates the 111th "VELIKA GOSPA" - the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. All are invited, beginning with a nine day novena on Sunday, Aug. 6th-Monday, Aug. 14th. On Tuesday, Aug. 15th, at 10am—procession through the neighborhood ending at church to celebrate a solemn high mass at noon. Throughout the day there will be many traditional Croatian dishes, beverages, music, games & much more! ALL ARE WELCOME to Honor the Blessed Mother! 2823 S. Princeton, Chicago, IL.

Sunday 5pm Vigil Mass

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

PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose of the soul of our longtime parishioner, **Menacita (Mary) Chan**, sister of Rose Marie Lau. Mary's funeral mass was held at St. Therese last Wednesday. May she rest in peace. Please keep Mary's family in your prayers.

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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.

Fruits from the RCIA TEAM at St. Therese



Recruiting for the RCIA

Last week icebreaker questions were provided as a way for parish members as they live out their call to be missionary disciples in our RCIA program.

This week two practical suggestions are shared for RCIA recruitment.

First, when you think about your audience for the RCIA, remember that it is not just for those who have not been initiated into the faith. The RCIA is good for those who have fallen away from the Church, have not been going to mass for some time, or simply want to brush up on the basic tenants of their faith. The RCIA program is a good way for any Catholic to re-engage their faith in a personal way.

The classes, while very basic in terms of their content, are extremely rich in terms of their context. Each person is treated as a unique “child of God.” As a result, the questions each person brings to the table are of critical importance to the on-going dialogue in the class. The more diverse the group the better the class.

Second, as we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration today, it is important to remind ourselves of how important it is for each Catholic to stay close to Christ, especially in the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Word, prior reaching out to others. When the transfigured Christ is alive within us, we are then able to radiate Jesus’ transforming love to others.

God Bless! ~ *Thomas M. Howard*

The Future of Chicago: Chicago, Violence, and the Catholic Church

August 11, 2017, 7:30-9:30am at Venue Six10, 610 S. Michigan Ave.

Cardinal Blasé Cupich will discuss his efforts to use his pulpit to bring attention to the gang violence fracturing some of Chicago's neighborhoods and his new philanthropic foundation,, The Instruments of Peace Venture Philanthropy Fund, to fight it. Joining him in conversation will be MacArthur Foundation President, Julia Stasch. The largest private grant maker in Chicago, MacArthur supports local efforts to prevent violence, reduce incarceration, build trust between police and the communities they serve, and improve the effectiveness of the criminal justice system.

Tickets: \$28 (includes program, coffee reception & conversation.

7:30am Registration

8:00am Welcome remarks & Program

9:00am Coffee Reception

9:30am Conclusion



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

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Katherine Culen
Amelia Lorraine Schroeder
Karl Schroeder
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Lan Ying Yee
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.

"SATISFY US O LORD"

Many places in the United States during this summer have been dealing with extreme heat. Many places in the West have over one hundred degree temperatures. In these kinds of temperatures water is essential. One can become very thirsty. Water is really the best thing when you are experiencing thirst.

Today's First Reading from the Prophet Isaiah invites us to satisfy our thirst. We are called to come, without paying, and be fed and satisfied. If we stop long enough and reflect, deep within us is a thirst for God. It is a thirst that can only be satisfied by God and a relationship with God. We have a deep longing for God who created us and redeemed. God is our final destination. St. Augustine tells us "our hearts are restless until they rest in you, O God." Sometimes we think that having lots of money will satisfy us. We try to have a "good time" and in that way deaden or satisfy ourselves. We try even to run away, or to pay no attention to God and the longing we have for God. None of these things changes this thirst or makes it go away. God wants us to be close to Him. He gives us this desire. In the poem, "The Hound of Heaven", Francis Thompson, who lived in the late 1800s, describes a journey which addresses this relentless desire for God and God's continuing desire for us.

Our Gospel today shows Jesus feeding the hungry people with bread and fish. Our first reading talks of coming to have our thirst satisfied and the second reading by St. Paul reminds us that nothing can separate us from the love of God and His love for us. If we choose to follow Jesus and choose to stay close to God we will eventually find all that we want and need. God will never leave us. It's all up to **each of us**.

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