

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 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. + Birthday Remembrance for Benny Chan by Family

10:30 A.M. + Benny Chan by Darlene Chan-Lowe
+ Jane Lee by Geraldine Lee
+ Gary Wing by Linda & Michele
+ James & Helen Wing by Linda & Michele
+ Chong Wei Lee & Helen Lee by Agnes & Grandchildren

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

MON. Nov. 13th *Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin*

8:00 A.M.

TUE. Nov. 14th *Weekday*

8:00 A.M. + Louis Spalla by Briglio Family

WED. Nov. 15th *Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

8:00 A.M. + Lia Kawazoye by Linda & Michele
+ Deceased Family Members of Dominic Barbaro by Dominic

THU. Nov. 16th *Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin*

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

FRI. Nov. 17th *Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious*

8:00 A.M. + Bruno Spina by Joe & Rena Zito
+ Vince Briglio & Bruno Spina by Briglio Family
+ Remembrance for Henry Lee by Wife, Children & Grandchildren

SAT. Nov. 18th *The Dedication of the Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles;
Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin*

8:00 A.M. + Poor and Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Dominic Barbaro

5:00 P.M. + Jimmy Annoreno by Family
+ Louis Sonny Spalla by Cita Orendain
+ Johnny Bowers by Karen Zewe
+ Camile Kristich by SMI Club



From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

Liturgical Participation

The celebration of Mass is an act of the whole assembly gathered for worship. In the Mass, the Church is joined to the action of Christ. We are joined to this divine action through Baptism, which incorporates us into the risen Christ. This action, which lies at “the center of the whole of Christian life” (General Instruction of the Roman Missal [GIRM], no. 16), is initiated not by us but by God acting in and through the Church as the Body of the risen Christ. The Liturgy is designed to bring about in all those who make up the worshipping assembly a “participation of the faithful, namely in body and in mind, a participation fervent with faith, hope, and charity” (GIRM, no. 18). To the extent that we are able to participate in this way, the work of redemption becomes personally effective for each of us. By such participation we make the actions and prayers of the Liturgy our own; we enter more fully into our personal communion with Christ’s redeeming act and perfect worship.

In addition to the ordained ministries, some roles in the Liturgy are exercised by lay people who place their time and talent at the service of the liturgical assembly as acolytes (altar servers), lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, cantors, choir members, instrumentalists, leaders of song, and ushers. Others contribute their time and talent to planning and organizing the Liturgy; to keeping the church and the vestments, vessels, and appointments clean and well ordered; or to providing decorations that reflect the spirit of the liturgical feast or season. This variety of offices and roles is desirable and should be maintained. It is desirable that individuals function in roles of service at Mass. ...Those engaged in liturgical roles need to be well prepared for those roles and to know how to carry them out with reverence, dignity, and understanding.

...Those who come together for Liturgy do not have the luxury of acting as spectators, waiting for all to be done for them. “Full, conscious, and active participation” in the Liturgy (as commended by the Second Vatican Council) is not only their right but also their duty and their responsibility. That responsibility includes full engagement throughout the liturgical celebration. The baptized faithful who form the congregation are called to join in praise and thanksgiving in song and spoken word, to listen attentively to God’s Word, and to exercise their baptismal priesthood in prayer for the Church, the world, and all in need during the Prayer of the Faithful. In the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the baptized faithful join their prayer to that of the priest celebrant, offering Christ the Victim, “not only by means of the hands of the Priest but also together with him,” and offer themselves as well (GIRM, no. 95). Their participation culminates in the reception of the Body and Blood of the Lord, the sacrament that unites them more fully with Christ their Head and with one another. We need to be aware, therefore, that “participation” does not refer primarily to external activity or function during the celebration of Mass; rather, it refers to a deeply spiritual, interior participation of mind and heart, filled with devotion and penetrating the very depths of the mysteries we celebrate. In their sincere efforts to participate, those present minister to the priest celebrant, to others who serve in liturgical roles, and to one another. Their attention and active engagement in the celebration can draw from the priest celebrant and the other ministers the best they have to offer. Their enthusiastic song and verbal responses made with conviction can encourage others to sing and respond; their very presence at the celebration of Mass when so many other enticing options might have been chosen instead supports and reinforces others who have made the same choice. The Liturgy, then, is about the action of God’s own people, each with different offices and roles. When we play our roles in the Liturgy with our bodies, minds, and hearts fully engaged, we make to God a perfect sacrifice of praise.

This article can be found at:

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/upload/liturgical-participation.pdf>

Peace ~ Fr. Francis

**St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church and Sr. Caritas
Present**

Sunday School for Preschoolers Ages 4 and 5 Yrs



**Classes will be held from 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
in the St. Lucy Room on the following dates:**

November 19, 2017

December 3 and 17

January 21 and 28

February 18 and 25

March 18 and 25

April 15 and 29

May 20, 2018

**Cost is free! Registration forms are located at the
entrance of the church.**

For more information, contact the rectory.

Hospitality Schedule for November 19, 2017:

GREETERS: Marian Torrez and STS Students

RECEPTION: Elisa, Kathryn, Renee, Rita

Today's Liturgy – November 12, 2017
Religious Ed Led Mass

Readings: GATHER 1185– 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year A
Gather Hymnal

PROCESSIONAL: #607 – Sing a New Song

OFFERTORY: #735 – Blest Are They

COMMUNION: #943 – Bread of Life from Heaven

***Meditation Song* (RE students) – Whatsoever You Do**

RECESSIONAL: #734 – Bring Forth the Kingdom

COMMITTEE MEETINGS, Monday Nov. 13th

The Finance Council meets at 6pm followed by Liturgy Committee at 7pm



Second Collection Next weekend - Nov. 19th Catholic Campaign for Human Development

For over 43 million Americans, there is a thin line between eviction and home, between hunger and health, between unemployment and work, between anxiety and stability.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty by funding community programs that encourage independence. You are essential to its success. Your generous donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes.

Together, we can make a difference in families and communities across the United States. **Please donate prayerfully and generously. Thank you and God bless!**

WORLD MISSION Update

As Catholics committed to building a better world for all God's people, St. Therese Parish will host its final special event which will benefit the ongoing efforts to complete the re-building of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Church in China. The Youth in our parish,

along with members of the Girl Scouts GCNWI Troops 25527 and 25656, will host a **PANCAKE BREAKFAST on Sunday, November 19th after the 10:30am Mass.**

If you can help, or would like to join our Youth Group, please contact *Nick or Ellen Andriacchi, our Youth Coordinators*. Sign up sheets can be found at the church entrance table. If you would like to make a donation to help support our *Mission efforts*, please contact the church office at 312-842-6777.

The **Prayer/Faith Sharing** group will meet on Friday, Nov. 17 at 7pm in a designated PREP room. Draw closer to God, deepen your faith by praying with scripture. All are welcome.



Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital patients:

Saul, Sylvia, Pearline, Charles, Pamela, Artis, Elvira, Joseph, Danny, Minnie, Hattie, EnYao, Christine

SAVE THE DATE : SATURDAY, DEC. 3, 2017

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT, from 10am-3pm Please mark your calendars. All are welcome

ST. ROCCO MEMORIAL MASS

Sunday, November 19th at 12noon.

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St. Therese Church is partnering with the **Franciscan Outreach Association** for the month of November for a clothing and toiletries drive, hosted by the Young Adult Ministry. Franciscan Outreach reaches out to people in poverty, offering hospitality and services at their homeless shelter. They provide meals, shelter, shower facilities and laundry services to hundreds of men, women and children in the model of respect and dignity of **St. Francis of Assisi**. In addition to providing emergency assistance, they also have professional case managers who help their guests with long-term services such as housing and job opportunities.

Collection boxes will be at the church entrance until **Monday, November 27, 2017**. Please drop off all gift cards and CTA cards in the Parish office for safekeeping. See Naomi Lowe or Jen Sin if you have any questions.

CLOTHING & TOILETRIES DRIVE

PLEASE HELP BY DONATING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Gift cards (\$5-\$10 increments for places like Dunkin Donuts, Jewel, & McDonalds)
2. CTA cards (single ride or multiple rides)
3. Winter clothing for adults (gloves, hats, scarves, jackets, thermals, boots)
4. Socks and underwear (new only)
5. Blankets
6. Bath Towels
7. Toiletries (toothbrushes; combs; deodorant; razors; and travel size items like toothpaste, shampoo, body wash/bar soap, and lotion)



ST. THERESE CHINESE CATHOLIC CHURCH 聖德力華人天主教堂 YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

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?
October 15	Creed - What do we truly believe?
October 29	Social Justice - How do I love my neighbor?
November 12	The Liturgical Year - Why did we change colors, and what page are we on in the new book??
	Shared by Fr. Francis Li St. Therese School at 11:45 a.m.

DEALING WITH PEER PRESSURE

9 WAYS TO HELP YOUR STUDENT DEAL WITH PEER PRESSURE



What: Practical pointers, Scripture, and more!

**Where: St. Therese Parish Community Room
218 W. Alexander Ave.**

When: Nov 19th, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Who: Religious Education, Parish, and School parents

A WORKSHOP LED BY THOMAS HOWARD, D.MIN

Stay for 10:30 Mass at St. Therese Church

Weekly Offering:

Collection for November 5, 2017

Sunday Envelopes	\$1,998	
GiveCentral	190	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$38,447
Sunday Loose	678	July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$41,800
<u>Total Collection</u>	<u>\$2,866</u>	

Weekly Budget: \$2,200 % of Budget Attained: 91%

Please consider giving one hour of **your weekly salary as your contribution.**
May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU!

ST. THERESE SCHOOL NEWS

Important information for Parents of elementary and high school students:

The “Invest in Kids Act” is a new initiative that provides a new way to fund scholarships for eligible students to attend private K-12 schools in Illinois. Scholarships offered through this program have the **potential to cover as much as 100% of tuition and eligible fees** for the next school year, making a high-quality Catholic education more affordable for many families.

We are still learning more about the rules of the program, the application process, and deadlines. The sooner you submit your application, the better your chances are of receiving scholarship funding. If you are interested in learning more about how this new initiative may make a St. Therese School tuition more affordable for you, please contact Principal Cavallone at principal@sttheresechicago.org. Additional information about this initiative can be found on the Archdiocesan website at www.archchicago.org/tcs, and you may also contact the Archdiocese directly at InvestInKids@archchicago.org or 312.534.5321.

This tuition credit program is extended to high schools as well. We hope all parents seriously consider a Catholic High School education for their child. Catholic High Schools provide a foundation based on values, quality academics and community that support student achievement. The **Catholic High School Entrance Exam will be on Saturday, December 2nd**. Students should register and test at their preferred Catholic High School; more information about registering for the test will be available in next week’s bulletin.

Students in 5th through 8th grades are encouraged to attend a **Catholic High School Open House** to explore some of the many strong Catholic High School options in the area. Please see the schedule below for remaining Open House dates for the Catholic High Schools our parishioners and St. Therese students often attend.

Local Catholic High Schools and Open House Information

Brother Rice High School

Wednesday, November 29 (7 pm)

www.brotherice.org

De La Salle Institute

Saturday, November 18 (9 am - noon)

www.dls.org

Holy Trinity High School

Thursday, November 30 (4:30 pm -6:30 pm)

www.holytrinity-hs.org

Josephinum Academy

Saturday, November 18 (1 pm - 3 pm)

www.josephinum.org

Marian Catholic High School

Sunday, November 19 (1 pm - 4 pm)

www.marianchs.com

Marist High School

Wednesday, November 15 (6:30 pm - 8 pm)

Friday, December 1 (6:30 pm - 8 pm)

www.marist.net

Mount Carmel High School

Sunday, November 19 (11 am - 2 pm)

www.mchs.org

Our Lady of Tepeyac High School

Saturday, November 18 (10 am - 2 pm)

www.ourladyoftepeyac.org

St. Ignatius College Prep

Sunday, November 12 (noon - 3 pm)

www.ignatius.org

St. Laurence High School

Sunday, November 19 (10 am - noon)

www.stlaurence.com

St. Rita High School

Sunday, November 12 (10 am - noon)

www.stritahs.com

Note: Open Houses have concluded for the following schools, but more information can be found on their websites:

Trinity High School

www.trinityhs.org

Mother McAuley Liberal Arts HS

www.mothermcauley.org



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

Lois Payton
Rosetta Roti
Katherine Culen
Amelia Lorraine Schroeder
Karl Schroeder
Phil Maraldi
Jerry Ecklund
Vincent Thome
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Ching Shiu Yau
Henry F. Wong
Matthew Mantia
Phyllis Centofanti
Susan Zibricky
Barbara Metzinger
Suzanne Lynch

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

"STAY AWAKE" ~Sister Caritas

Did you ever sit watching TV, waiting for your favorite program to come on and you fall asleep waiting? When you wake up the program you wanted to see is over. You missed it! Perhaps you have set up a date for something and you anticipate it happening. Before the time comes, things happen and you don't remember the event you had planned on being part of and you miss it.

Confusing dates or times can happen to everyone. In the Gospel today and in the first reading we are reminded to prepare and be ready. Each of us has experienced the death of someone and we may say to ourselves, "I thought I would get to see that person but they seemed to die so fast." The bridegroom in the story comes to take the waiting virgins to the wedding feast but the ones who went to buy oil were not prepared. They were not there when the bridegroom came. They missed their chance. Each of us will face death at some point in our lives. The last sentence in the Gospel points to how we are like the virgins in the parable. "Therefore stay awake for you know neither the day nor the hour."

How do we "stay awake" for the Lord's coming? It is a wise way to try to live each day in such a way that you would be ready. Live your life with kindness and care for others. Keep the commandments. As St. Paul says, "Pray always." Have your spirit attentive and ready to pray, ready to meet the Lord. Live in God's presence and love. Try to be joyful. Be forgiving towards others. Live today to the fullest. Yesterday is finished and cannot be changed. Tomorrow is not here yet. We have no promise it will be ours. Today is all we have. If we live each moment well, each day well, we will be ready when the bridegroom comes. We will have brought our oil and can go with the bridegroom to the wedding feast for all eternity.

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Thanksgiving Celebration



Masses: 8am and 10am

In keeping with tradition, St. Therese Parish will have a **Thanksgiving Day Luncheon** *after the 10:00am Mass* on **Thursday, November 23, 2017** in the Community Room. The following food items are needed to prepare the meal:

TURKEYS * HAMS * VEGETABLES & POTATOES * SWEET POTATOES * CRANBERRY SAUCE * TURKEY STUFFING DESSERTS (CAKE, PIE, FRUIT) * DRINKS

If you can donate any of these items, please bring them to the church rectory. If you plan to attend, please sign up at the church entrance table or call the parish office. THANK YOU!

Also, volunteers are needed to help prepare the meal. See George Lee for more information.

****If you know of anyone, or an elderly who may be alone for Thanksgiving, please invite them to St. Therese to celebrate the Eucharist and/or share a Thanksgiving meal with us!***