

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 5, 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. + Antonetta Scopacasa & Frank Scopacasa by Therese, Jane & Jack

10:30 A.M. + Joanna Wai Nin Wan Law by Jimmy & Lorreta Yu
+ Jane Lee by Helen Moy
+ Young Chin by Linda & Michele
+ Sonny & Rita Spalla by Linda & Michele

MON. Nov. 6th *Weekday*

8:00 A.M. + Gary Wing by Helen Wing

TUE. Nov. 7th *Weekday*

8:00 A.M. + Louis Sonny Spalla by Anthony & Maria Vinci

WED. Nov. 8th *Weekday*

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

THU. Nov. 9th *The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome*

8:00 A.M. + Mary & Carmen Scuito by Scuito Family
+ Grace Sobczak Scuito by Scuito Family

FRI. Nov. 10th *Saint Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church*

8:00 A.M. + Ceil Scuito by Scuito Family
+ Mary & Carmen Scuito by Scuito Family

SAT. Nov. 11th *Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop*

8:00 A.M. + Carmen (Chico) Scuito (Army) by Scuito Family
+ Ben Damico (Army) by Scuito Family
+ Joe DeFilippo (Navy) by Scuito Family

5:00 P.M. + Jimmy Annoreno by Family
+ Bernadette Zito by Joe & Rena Zito
+ Sonny Spalla by George Lee & Family
+ Johnny Bowers by Karen Zewe



From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Perry and Rose Lau**, recipients of the *Christifideles Award 2017*. This award was given by Cardinal Cupich on Sunday Oct. 29th at Holy Name Cathedral to catholic laypersons who have manifested an understanding of the teachings of the Church and have been practicing their faith and have used his/her talents to deepen the life of the Church in the parish.

Rose and Perry are long-time faithful parishioners. Both of them have been catechists and members of different parish committees. They are visible and positive examples in our faith community. We are truly blessed to have them, to witness their faith and their love for God, for our Church, and for each other.



NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

Most Catholics if not all agree that we need more vocations in the Church. This need is a big factor in the *Renew My Church* process. The following invitation to pray for more vocations is a news release from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The Catholic Church in the United States will celebrate National Vocations Awareness Week, November 5-11, 2017. This annual event is a special time for parishes in the United States to actively foster and pray for a culture of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life.

Cardinal Joseph Tobin, the Chair of the US Bishops' Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life, and Vocations, reminds us that each of us in the Church has a key role to play in the witness of our vocation in ordinary circumstances, "As we go about our everyday life and most especially this week, we must keep vocations in our prayers, while, at the same time, being a mindful witness with our own vocation. We may never know how our lives may have an impact on someone else's story. Simply living out our call as disciples of Jesus Christ fully and joyfully in the world bears witness to the love of Christ as He generously bestows on each of us our own personal call."

National Vocations Awareness Week, sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life, and Vocations, is designed to help promote vocation awareness and to encourage young people to ask the question: "To what vocation in life is God calling me?" Parish and school communities across the nation are encouraged to include, during the first full week in November, prayer and special activities that focus on vocation awareness.

Observance of Vocation Awareness Week began in 1976 when the U.S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for the celebration. It was later moved to Feast of the Baptism of the Lord in January. The USCCB Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations moved the observance of National Vocation Awareness Week to November to engage Catholic schools and colleges more effectively in this effort.

More information and resources for National Vocations Awareness Week are available online at: <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations/national-vocation-awareness-week.cfm>.

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 12, 2017:

GREETERS: Daniel Rak, Jen Sin, Tim Tie

RECEPTION: Lisa, Lushia

Today's Liturgy – November 5, 2017
Cantonese Mass

**Readings: GATHER 1182– 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year A
Chinese Hymnal**

PROCESSIONAL: #354 – 奔赴主前 Before God

OFFERTORY: #217 – 仁慈的聖父 Merciful Father

COMMUNION: #448 – 天上神聖食糧 Sacred Food

RECESSIONAL: #364 - 眾心的太陽 Sun for our Hearts

The Rite of Calling

On Sunday, Nov. 5th at 3 p.m. at [Mary Seat of Wisdom](#) 920 W. Granville Avenue, Park Ridge, IL 60068, **Dr. Thomas M. Howard** will take part in the Rite of Calling to Lay Ecclesial Ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Per http://legacy.archchicago.org/departments/lay_ecclesial_ministry/what.shtm, the Rite of Calling is described as follows:

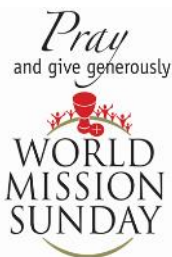
"Directors of religious education are eligible to participate in a Rite of Calling to Lay Ecclesial Ministry by the Archbishop after they complete a certification process. In the rite, the ministers commit to collaboration with the pastors of the Church and to leading Christ's people in love and fidelity."

This is a ticketed event. Tom has plenty of tickets. If you wish to attend, feel free to reach out to him at: thoward@sttheresechicago.org. **Blessings and best wishes to Tom as he continue to serve our community.**

St. James Food Pantry

Volunteers needed Saturday, Nov. 11th. We begin at 8:30am until about 11:00am. Please consider sharing your time and talents to serve others. Please sign up at the church entrance table.

WORLD MISSION



As Catholics committed to building a better world for all God's people, St. Therese Parish's **Youth and Young Adult Ministries**, along with some girls in our parish in the **Girl Scouts Troop**, continue to host special

events for ALL to participate. These events will benefit the ongoing efforts to complete the re-building of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Church in China.

NOVEMBER 5TH; BAKE SALE & TURKEY & HAM PLATES

NOVEMBER 12TH: PANCAKE BREAKFAST

If you, or someone you know, are between the ages of 12 and 35, please contact the **Youth Group** (Nick or Ellen Andriacchi) or **Young Adult Ministry** (Joey Lowe or Jen Sin) and see how you can help with the preparations! Sign up sheets for both groups can be found on the church entrance table. If you would like to make a donation to help support our *Mission Day* events, please contact the church office at 312-842-6777.

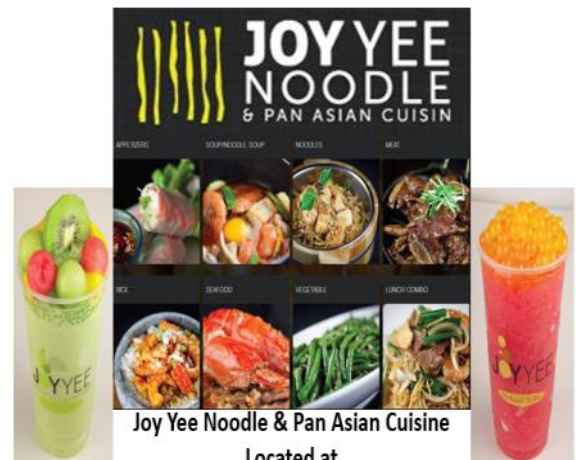
The Prayer/Faith Sharing group will meet on Friday, Nov. 17 at 7pm in a designated PREP room. Draw closer to God, deepen your faith by praying with scripture. All are welcome.



Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital patients:

Raymond, Tamicka, Bette, Cody, Bernice, Diana, Toya, Alfreda, Sharon, Lamont, Antoine, John, Anna, Teresa, Holiday, Erwin, Guadalupe, Martha, Lucretia, Hattie, Omar, Marie, Nora, Jennifer, Sharon

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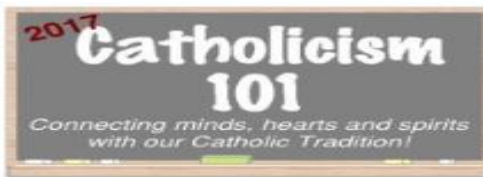
FRANCISCAN OUTREACH,

a HOMELESS SHELTER in Chicago. Items needed:

1. Gift cards (\$5-\$10 increments for places like Dunkin Donuts, Jewel, and McDonalds)
2. CTA cards (single ride or multiple rides)
3. Winter clothing for adults that are gently used or new, and clean (also gloves, hats, scarves, jackets, thermals, boots)
4. Socks (new)- men & women; 5. Underwear (new)- men & women
6. Blankets; 7. Bath Towels; 8. Toiletry Kits; 9. Deodorant; 10. Razors

There will be boxes at the church entrance table to drop off your donations. Please drop off any gift cards to the church office for safe keeping. Donations accepted until Monday, November 27th. For more info please see: Naomi Lowe or Jennifer Sin. Thank YOU!

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 October 29, 2017

Sunday Envelopes	\$1,423	
GiveCentral	190	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$35,581
Sunday Loose	611	July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$39,600
<u>Total Collection</u>	<u>\$2,224</u>	

Weekly Budget: \$2,200 % of Budget Attained: 89%

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

Dear Parents,

St. Therese encourages its **junior high school students (grades 5-8)** to consider a Catholic High School education. A complete listing of Catholic High Schools in the Archdiocese of Chicago can be found at <https://schools.archchicago.org/catholic-high-school-open-house-information>. The listing also provides the school contact and website information as well as the dates of upcoming Open Houses. Although junior high school students are encouraged to attend open houses and participate in a shadow day visit at Catholic High School, it is **particularly important for eighth grade students** to participate in these planning activities as they will be taking their high school entrance exam in the coming weeks.

Upcoming Local Catholic High School Open Houses

Brother Rice High School

Sunday, November 5 (11:00 am - 1:00 pm)

Wednesday, November 29 (7:00 pm)

www.brotherrice.org

De La Salle Institute

Saturday, November 18 (9:00 am - noon)

www.dls.org

Holy Trinity High School

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

www.holytrinity-hs.org

Josephinum Academy

Saturday, November 18 (1:00 pm - 3:00 pm)

www.josephinum.org

St. Laurence High School

Sunday, November 19 (10:00 am -12:00 pm)

www.stlaurence.com

Marian Catholic High School

Sunday, November 19 (1:00 pm - 4:00 pm)

www.marianchs.com

Marist High School

Sunday, October 29 (11:00 am - 2:00 pm)

Wednesday, November 15 (6:30 pm - 8:00 pm)

Friday, December 1 (6:30 pm - 8:00 pm)

www.marist.net

Mother McAuley Liberal Arts HS

Open House

Thursday, October 24 (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)

Parent Shadow Day

Friday, November 3 (9:00 am - 11:00 am)

www.mothersmcsuley.org

Mount Carmel High School

Sunday, October 29 (11:00 am - 2:00 pm)

Sunday, November 19 (11:00 am - 2:00 pm)

www.mchs.org

Our Lady of Tepeyac High School

Saturday, October 28 (10:00 am - 2:00 pm)

Saturday, November 18 (10:00 am - 2:00 pm)

www.ourladyoftepeyac.org

St. Ignatius College Prep

Sunday, November 12 (12:00 pm - 3:00 pm)

www.ignatius.org

St. Laurence High School

Sunday, November 19 (10:00 am - 12:00 pm)

St. Rita High School

Sunday, November 12 (10:00 am - 12:00 pm)

www.stritahs.com

Trinity High School

Sunday, October 29 (12:00 pm - 3:00 pm)

www.trinityhs.org

Eighth Grade Students Mark Your Calendars

As you know St. Therese requires all 8th grade students to take the Catholic High School Entrance Exam. Below are some important dates about this year's exam for you and your child to mark your calendars. We must have 100% participation.

Saturday, November 18th

Students may begin registering for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam. Register as soon as possible and put it on your calendar. Details on how to register for the exam will be share as it becomes available.

Saturday, December 2nd

Catholic High School Entrance Exam is administered where you have registered. You must take the exam at the high school you registered to take the exam.

I appreciate your cooperation and your serious consideration of having your child continue his or her Catholic education in high school. I look forward to sharing future updates regarding the Catholic High School Entrance Exam in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,



Ms. Cavallone
Principal



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
Barbara McElroy
Ramona Zavala
Michael Howley
Baby Jessa Piotrowski
Fr. Walter Johnson, MM
Rose Perez
Phyllis Robinson
Bai Xue
John Palenik
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Lan Ying Yee
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.

"FOLLOWING GOD'S DIRECTIVE" ~Sister Caritas

When I was in Grade School I had a friend, Barbara. We played together all the time. I would go to my Mother and say, "Can I have a bike? Barbara has a new bike and I would like a bike too..." Having five children to deal with, there was no money for a bike. My Mother would say to me, "If Barbara goes and jumps in the lake are you going to jump in the lake too?" I knew what that meant. No bike. (One year my brother and I did get bikes for Christmas.) Even though at times it was not easy to hear, I grew to realize it was good advice. Later, in Public High School, I used that idea to choose my friends and to do what I was supposed to do. I did not have to follow someone else and be like them.

In the Gospel today, Jesus tells us some important advice. The Pharisees were the authority in the temple and they were teaching the teachings. The problem was that they were not doing what they were teaching. Jesus says, "Do what they say, not what they do." Many times in families we have parents who send their children to Church but do not come themselves. Often we know the law, we know what we are to do but we don't do it. Our children hear us but they are also watching us. Everything they see and hear they put in their mind and imagination. They remember. They do not understand the contradiction of our words and our actions. Jesus gives us directives to follow but more importantly, He shows us the way we are to do things. His life is a pattern for us to follow so we do the will of God. Jesus always did the will of God. We can safely and surely imitate Jesus. He is "The way, the truth and the life." Copying the example of football players, TV. personalities, and other famous people is not always the good way to reach God. Following Jesus is the sure way to reach God go to heaven. Don't be followers, ready to "jump in any lake, anywhere."
Seek always the will of God like Jesus.

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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!***