

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 2018

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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. + Carol Florez by Phyllis & Rosemae
+ Sister Julie Weigard by Sister Caritas

10:30 A.M. + Ronald & Elizabeth Wehrman by Sister Caritas

MON. Jan. 15th Weekday

8:00 A.M. +

TUE. Jan. 16th Weekday

8:00 A.M. +

WED. Jan. 17th Saint Anthony, Abbot

8:00 A.M. + Vince Briglio by Wife & Family

THU. Jan. 18th Week of Prayer for Christian Unity beings

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

FRI. Jan. 19th Weekday

8:00 A.M. + James Gurgone by Daughter
+ Marie Roti by Friends

SAT. Jan. 20th Saint Fabian; Saint Sebastian

8:00 A.M.

5:00 P.M. Parishioners and Friends of St. Therese
+ David Jarzyna's 14th anniversary remembrance by Wife Cookie
+ Jimmy Annoreno by Family
+ Dora Vanvalkenburgh by Joe & Rena Zito
+ Joe D'Amico by Joe & Rena Zito



From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

Thanks

Thanks to **Parish Pastoral Council** for helping with the Appreciation Luncheon and to members of the **Young Adult Leadership Team** for decorating the Community Room for this special occasion.

Thanks to all who helped with taking down the Christmas decorations and putting up the Ordinary Time decorations.

Thanks to **Lily May, Naomi and Joey Lowe** for representing St. Therese at the Migration Mass last Sunday at Holy Name Cathedral. There were over 50 nations represented throughout the Archdiocese. Cardinal Cupich celebrated a beautiful mass, in which he calls all people to support just immigration policies and to appreciate the gifts of the migrants.



Renew My Church

As Samuel was called by the Lord in today's first reading, the Lord is calling our Archdiocese to *Renew My Church*. It is a process to evaluate our mission and structures and to find the best possible ways to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ in this local Church. The mission driven objectives of *Renew My Church* are three:

1. **Making disciples:** Inviting all people to have a true encounter and relationship with Jesus Christ. Much intentional evangelization will be emphasized.
2. **Building communities:** Creating and supporting vibrant parishes and schools to build strong bonds among each other and promote active participation in the life of the Church.
3. **Inspiring witnesses:** Empowering all Christians to come together in solidarity to spread the Good News and transform the world.

St. Therese Parish and School is assigned to a grouping with 7 other parishes and schools in our neighborhood. Beginning on Saturday Feb. 3rd, we will begin to meet and to discuss the realities and needs of our neighborhood. Parishioners at large will have two chances to hear about the process and some new possibilities in the next few weeks. By the end of May, the grouping members will offer a suggestion to the Cardinal and then it is up to the Cardinal to make the final decision.

As our parish and school go through this process, I will keep you updated as often as possible and I ask you to keep our church and our grouping in your prayers.

Peace ~ Fr. Francis



Share YOUR Faith

Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

In rural Peru, like in many other countries, opportunities for the faithful to celebrate even the basic rituals of our Catholic faith are often few and far between. Frequently, children cannot receive the sacraments of initiation, and Mass cannot be held regularly. Without missionaries and catechists, the people living there cannot learn about, experience and share the beauty of our Catholic way of life.

Your support to the Collection for the Church in Latin America has helped the *Siervas del Plan de Dios* (Servants of the Plan of God) train lay people to become Catholic missionaries and catechists in parishes. The sisters have set up a missionary formation program as a step toward enlivening and sustaining the Catholic faith.

The sisters are trained professionals providing comprehensive services to their communities. Sr. Carmen

Cárdenas, general coordinator of the Servants, said that the education her sisters receive to become nurses, doctors, teachers, administrators, and psychologists helps provide the best services to the frailest and the poorest in the communities they serve. The sisters teach children and work in hospitals as doctors and nurses, caring for the sick and terminally ill, as well as caring for those who are living on the streets. Sometimes they are the only health practitioners in the area.

With your help, the sisters bring the love and tenderness of God to these remote areas and have shown people living in Peru the mercy of Christ.

For more information on how you can help the Church in Latin America, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.



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Hospitality Schedule for January 21, 2018:

GREETERS: Marian Torrez & STS Students

RECEPTION: Teresa & Flo

Today's Liturgy - January 14, 2018

Readings: GATHER 1096– 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time/B

PROCESSIONAL: #606 – Glory and Praise to Our God

OFFERTORY: #781 – Lord, When You Came

COMMUNION: #943 - Bread of Life from Heaven

RECESSIONAL: #777 – Here I Am, Lord

News and Events

Second Collection TODAY for the Church in Latin America To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

2018 Offering Boxes

are available at the church entrance table. Please pick up your box of envelopes. The offering boxes are only for registered parishioners. If you can't find your box, please contact the parish office. If you want a new box, please consider to register with St. Therese. Thanks for your generosity!

2017 Donation Letter

If you would like to have a 2017 donation letter to St. Therese for tax purpose, please contact the parish office.



Please pray for the following

Mercy Hospital patients: Camille, Linda, Yvette, Maria, Debbie, Christine, Roena, Michelle, Julia, Brian, Lynn, Mario Rayshawn,

Edward, Frank, Manuel, Norma, Donna, Gregory, Betty, Linzy, Christine



Sunday School for Preschoolers, Ages 4 & 5 years

January classes with Sr. Caritas will be on

Sunday, the 21st & 28th, from 9:15am-10:15am in the St. Lucy Room.

Annual Lunar New Year celebration planning meeting takes place today after mass at 12 noon in the Community Room.

Sacramental Meeting will be on Tuesday Feb. 16th from 6:30pm to 7:30 pm in the Santa Maria Room.

Please Make Your Gift to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

“Come, Follow Me”

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal request mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries and services funded by the ACA, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible.

This year's ACA announcement weekend will be on Jan. 27 and 28 and commitment weekend will be on Feb. 3 & 4.

The ACA offers a wonderful opportunity to answer Jesus' call to ***“Come, Follow Me.”***

In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the Archdiocese, the Appeal also funds services that are of great help to ministries here in our Parish.

As we contemplate God's many gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude for these gifts. Your financial support for the work of our Parish, our Archdiocese, and the Church throughout the world is, in fact, one way to express this gratitude. Please give generously to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal.

When our parish reaches its goal of **\$9,600** in paid pledges, 100% of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our Parish. Our rebate fund will help us to continue to maintain and beautify our Church.



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Welcome to Sister Vincent!



We are happy to welcome Sister Vincent, who is doing her internship at our church this semester. She will be teaching our Mandarin RCIA and helping in our efforts to reaching out to overseas Chinese speaking university students.

"My name is Xueying Zou, Sr. Vincent, a member of Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of China. I came to Chicago in September 2015. Now, I'm studying the Master of Biblical Ministry program at CTU (Catholic Theological Union). My goal is when I return to mainland China, I can use what I learned in this country to deepen people's understanding of the Bible, and to inspire them to live out the life of God's children."

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Christmas Donations as of January 8, 2018 Continued from last weekend's list

Darlene & Chris Lowe	\$250	Jane Pivac	\$50
Henry Chan	\$100	Daniel Chan	\$150
John K. Moy	\$100	Joe Donzelli	\$50
Jody Moy	\$10	Jim & Maryann Distasio	\$200

Grand Total as of January 8, 2018: \$29,239

Thank you to All who contributed!

Weekly Offering

Collection for January 7, 2018

Sunday Envelopes	\$1,877		
GiveCentral	200	July 1-To-Present (Actual):	\$55,100
Sunday Loose	393	July 1-To -Present (Budget):	\$59,400
Total Collection	\$2,470		

Weekly Budget: \$2,200 % of Budget Attained: 92%

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

CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

GATHERINGS

Parishes are working in solidarity to care for God's gift of life and all of creation. Join us at one of our upcoming Care for Our Common Home gatherings as we live out our Catholic faith to preserve and protect all that God has entrusted to us. The gatherings will celebrate how parishes are currently preserving life and all that sustains it, as well identify ways to expand our ministry to care for our common home.



Tuesday, January 16

7:00 p.m.

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

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"Speak, Listen, Follow" ~Sister Caritas

In our scripture readings today we hear important people in our faith story speaking. We hear Samuel being called by God. Samuel does not recognize it at first. Eli helps Samuel recognize the call of God. Samuel says, "Speak Lord for your servant is listening." Samuel follows God and becomes a prophet.

In the Gospel John the Baptist speaks calling Jesus, "the Lamb of God." John's two disciples follow Jesus. Jesus asks them, "What are you looking for?" They are seemingly caught by surprise and say, "Where are you staying?" Jesus says, "Come and see." He invites them to be with Him. Samuel and the disciples both are given invitations. Both follow. Eli's words help Samuel. John's words help the two disciples.

We see the effect of the words of call upon these people. "The Lord was with him (Samuel), not permitting any word of his to be without effect." Many stories tell of the power of Samuel among the Jewish people. His words and actions were filled with power. In calling Samuel, God was faithful to Samuel. Samuel was faithful, with the grace of God, to God.

The disciples follow Jesus and Jesus recognizes they are looking for something. He invites them to "Come and see." With these words Jesus invites them into the mystery of call, of following, of being a disciple. What effect do Jesus' words have on Andrew? Andrew goes and brings his brother to Jesus. Andrew tells Simon, "We have found the Messiah." Peter comes and he follows.

What calls come to you in your life from God? What power do your words have? Make no mistake; what you say does affect others even if you do not know it. Your words have power to build up, tear down, or invite to new life. Think about it.

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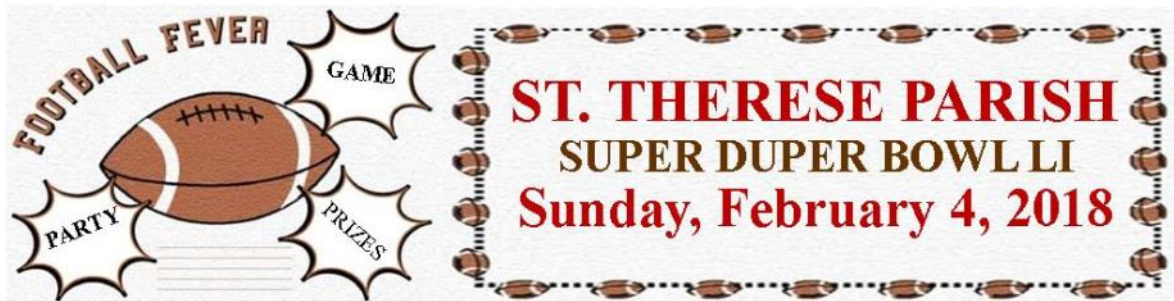
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