### Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 26, 2018

## St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church and School Archdiocesan Center for Chinese Apostolate

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#### Mass Schedule 彌撒時間

#### English Mass 英語彌撒

#### Daily Mass 平日弥撒:

Monday - Saturday at 8:00am 每 日 上午八時

#### Sunday Mass 主日弥撒:

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

#### St. Therese Chinese Catholic School 聖德力華人天主教學校

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#### **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**

#### August 26, 2018 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. + Vernisha Mann by Phyllis & Rose Marie Centofanti

+ Mabel Chan by Family

**10:30 A.M.** + Diane Marie Chan by Darlene Chan-Lowe

+ Cyrus & Cecilia Tang by Bernie & Albert Wong & Esther & David Wong

+ Joseph Lin, Birthday Remembrance by Lin Bi Jiang

12:00 P.M. Mandarin Mass

+ Joseph Lin, Birthday Remembrance by Lin Bi Jiang

MON. Aug. 27th

Saint Monica

**8:00 A.M**. + Diane Marie Chan, Anniversary Remembrance by Family

TUE. Aug. 28th Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**8:00 A.M.** + Forgotten & Unknown Souls in Purgatory by Dominic Barbaro

+ Mabel Chan, Birthday Remembrance by Darlene Chan-Lowe

WED. Aug. 29th

The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

**8:00 A.M.** Thanksgiving by Rose Lee

THU. Aug. 30th

Weekday

8:00 A.M.

FRI. Aug. 31st

Weekday

8:00 A.M.

SAT. Sept. 1st

Weekday

**8:00 A.M.** In Thanksgiving by Peter & Kitty Chang

In Honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Dominic Barbaro

**5:00 P.M.** + Bernadette Zito by Joe & Rena Zito

+ Bruno Roti, Anniversary Remembrance by Marion



#### From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

#### Thank YOU!

Thanks to all members of Young Adult Leadership team for hosting a very enjoyable cookout and social gathering for our young people.

Thanks to St. Rocco Society and all who attended the annual St. Rocco mass and procession.



#### PRAYERS for HEALING

The grand jury report on clergy sexual misconduct in Pennsylvania has once again brought much shame, heart-wearing feelings to all Catholics. These are sad reminders of the failures of the Church and of the wounds and hurt that the victims suffer.

In the past days, and I am sure in the coming weeks, we are and will continue to be mindful of the tragic sins of clergy sexual abuse which have had sad and grave consequences for victims. These actions and the failure of others in Church leadership to protect victims and remove abusers from ministry have wounded the whole Body of Christ, and so we pray for God's mercy on the victims and we pray for reparation. We are also confident in the healing power of God, whose grace is stronger than human sin and whose Providence is infinitely greater than the consequences of any human neglect. May the Lord grant healing to all those whose lives have been so hurt and damaged by the failures of the Church ... may He grant true repentance to those who have committed such grave sins ... and may He grant the entire Body of Christ hope and trust in the Church's leadership.

Amid all the negative feelings we have, we must continue to pray. Below is a prayer for healing that you can use::

God of endless love, ever caring, ever strong: your only Son was delivered into the hands of the wicked, yet healed us with the blood of his cross. May Christ join to his own suffering, the pains of those abused by priests and bishops who have betrayed your love, and by servants of your Church whose sin has brought us shame, and pain. Grant all shepherds of his Church the courage and compassion to protect the vulnerable, the strength to guide the Church in truth, and the wisdom to model their lives in Christ, the Good Shepherd. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

August 2018

Dear Neighborhood Friends,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year!

I hope your summer has been a pleasant and enjoyable time for you and your family. THIS LETTER IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT THE <u>FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR ST. THERESE</u> WILL BE TUESDAY, AUGUST 28th.

From 7:30 – 8:00 am and again from 2:50 – 3:35 pm, we ask your cooperation in helping support our efforts in creating a safe traffic route for our students. Part of that effort includes WESTBOUND ONLY traffic on 23<sup>rd</sup> Street during the drop off/pick up times. We have encouraged our families to utilize our drop off procedure, called the Student Expressway, to minimize the need to double park. We also have reminded our families to be respectful and mindful of our neighbors while dropping off and picking up their children. We will have a large number of school staff stationed from Princeton to Wentworth to help manage traffic flow and monitor conditions.

St. Therese School will continue do its best to keep our working partnership with our neighbors, especially during the beginning of the school year. I thank you in advance for your patience. If there are any problems, please do not hesitate to contact me directly: <a href="mailto:doi@sttheresechicago.org">doi@sttheresechicago.org</a> or 312-326-2837.

All the best,

Lisa Deborah Oi Interim Principal St. Therese Chinese Catholic School

#### Hospitality Schedule for Sept. 2, 2018:

GREETERS: Alison Chan, Joey Lowe, Jean Ng RECEPTION: Flo, Teresa

Today's Liturgy - August 26, 2018

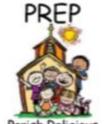
Readings: GATHER 1153-21st Sunday in Ordinary Time/B

**PROCESSIONAL:** #615 – Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

**OFFERTORY:** #951 – This Is the Body of Christ **COMMUNION:** #936 - Gather in Your Name

**RECESSIONAL:** #777 – Here I Am, Lord

#### News and Events



Parish Religious **Education Program** 

#### Parish Religious Ed Program begins on Sunday, Sept. 16th.

Registration forms can be found on the church entrance table. Please complete form & drop off with fee to the parish office. For more info

contact: ChrisDelfin@gmail.com **CATECHISTS NEEDED!** 



Our Parish Reliaious **Education Pro**gram is looking for Catechists and Assistant Catechists.

YOU provide the enthusiasm and we'll provide the training! If you are interested, please contact Dr. Tom Howard or Christine Delfin at: ChrisDelfin@gmail.com

#### First Day of School - August 28th

Good Luck & God Bless all our students & teachers for a fruitful school year.

#### Sunday 5pm Vigil Mass

Will resume on Saturday, Sept. 1st.

#### CARING CHURCH MINISTRY TRAINING

is on Sunday, Sept. 2nd after the 10:30am Mass in the Santa Maria Room.



Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital Patients: Rafael, Rosa, Lawrence, Justin, Philip, Karen, Liz, Peter, Otis, Lolita, Lloyd, Gamalia, Evelyn, Margaret, Ricky

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#### **WEDDING BANNS**

Irene Roti & Ryan Maloney will be married in our church on Sat. Sept. 8th. Please keep them in your prayers.

#### Santa Maria Incoranata Feast Day Mass and Schedule for Sept. 9th

Our Annual celebration will take place on Sunday, Sept. 9th at 11:00am, and on that Sunday our regular 8am mass and 10:30am mass will be combined to a 9:00am mass. Please mark your calendars to attend either the 9am or the 11:00am mass.

Our RCIA Programs for those interested in



learning more about the Catholic Faith begins on Sunday, October 14th. Classes are A JOURNEY IN FAITH in English, Cantonese &

Mandarin. More info can be found at the church entrance table.

#### Welcome Deacon Lin to St. Therese Parish



Deacon Vincent Lin, a Jesuit from China, is going to practice his diaconate ministry at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church for the coming school year (Aug., 2018-Jun., 2019). Deacon Lin comes from Fujian Province, China. He joined the Society of Jesus in 2007. After his first two-year religious formation in Manila, Philippines, he went through three years of graduated Philosophy program (M.A. PH) in Philippines and three years Theology program (M. Div) in Taiwan. He was ordained into Diaconate in Taiwan in May, 2017. Currently, he is enrolling a M.A. pastoral counseling program in the Institute of Pastoral Study, Loyola

Chicago University. With gratitude of becoming a member of our St. Therese Catholic family, Deacon Lin will join us together to proclaim the Gospel, Good News through his services in our liturgy and his diaconate ministries.

#### **Parish Ministry Series**

Thanks to John Lin, former coordinator of translating ministry, and thanks to Wing Chan, new and current coordinator, and to all members of this important ministry. Below is a message from the team for our parish.

The mission of our **Translator Ministry** is to help Cantonese/Chinese parishioners who may have English deficiencies to participate in our parish activities with emphasis in Sunday mass. It is really a great opportunity to share our language talent to help others to grow in their faith.

Our members are expanding year by year because we are not only helping the others but also taking advantage of building a stronger relationship with God. The translation process is the God-centered time, helps us stay focused, and listen to God's voice more efficiently. Sometimes it is just like a private conversation with God and you can even dig out more meaningful things that you might not be able to experience from the live homily at church due to the environment setting and limited time.

Diversity is one of the characters of our church that we are so proud of. And we are so blessed that we could have the ability and talent to make our own contribution to keep this diversity going. The translation acts as a booster for the parishioners who have Cantonese as their mother tongue. It draws their ears and hearts closer to God more easily and really helps them to participate in the mass fully, actively and consciously.

All the kind words and warm appreciation that we receive after the mass is the greatest reward and encouragement for us.

#### Respect Life Corner

#### The Acts We Perform; The People We Become – by Bishop Robert Barron

From the 1950's through the late 1970's Karol Wojtyla (Pope St. John Paul II) was a professor of moral philosophy at the Catholic University of Lublin in Poland, specializing in sexual ethics and what we call today "marriage and family life." He produced two important books touching on these matters, *The Acting Person*, a rigorous philosophical exploration of Christian anthropology, and *Love and Responsibility*, a much more accessible analysis of love, sex, and marriage. These texts provided the foundation for the richly textured teaching of Pope John Paul II that now goes by the name "theology of the body." John Paul had a deep devotion to young people, and he wanted them to see the teaching of the church in regard to sex, not as a burden, but as an invitation to fuller life.

Karol Wojtyla taught that in making an ethical decision, a moral agent does not only give rise to a particular act, but he also contributes to the person he is becoming. Every time I perform a moral act, I am building up my character, and every time I perform an unethical act, I am compromising my character. This is not judgmentalism; it is a kind of spiritual or moral physics, an articulation of a basic law.

Now apply this principle to sexual behavior. Study after study has shown that teenagers and college students are participating more and more in a "hook-up" culture, an environment in which the most casual and impersonal forms of sexual behavior are accepted as a matter of course. I might sum up John Paul's insight by saying that moral acts matter, both in the short run and in the long run. For weal or for woe, they produce immediate consequences, and they form characters. And so I might venture to say to a young person, tempted to engage in irresponsible sexual behavior: please realize that, though you may not immediately appreciate it, the particular things you choose to do are inevitably shaping the person you are becoming.

Full-text article - https://www.wordonfire.org/resources/article/the-acts-we-perform-the-people-we-become/416/

Weekly Offering Collection for August 19, 2018		
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 1,070	
GiveCentral	190	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$14,003
Sunday Loose	344	July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$17,600
Total Collection	\$1,604	
Weekly Budget:	\$2,200	% of Budget Attained: 79%
May	God bless your ger	weekly salary as your contribution. nerosity! Thank YOU! on 8/19/18: \$4,633 Thank YOU!



#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

## Catechetical Sunday

10:30am Mass

Special Blessing for Catechists, Teachers, and Parents followed by:

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EVERYONE from St. Therese Parish

is welcome to celebrate at:

St. Therese Church - Alexander Street

Time: 12:00pm to 2:00pm

Hosted By: St. Therese Parish
Thanks to Alderman Danny Solis for his support and for donating all the HotDogs!



Come and pray for a fruitful year for all the students, teachers, and catechists!



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

Lois Payton Helen Moy Katherine Culen

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Karl Schroeder
Phil Maraldi
Nicholas Tobar
Vincent Thome
Barbara McElroy
Ramona Zavala
Michael Howley
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Richard Tobar

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#### "Will You also go Away?" by Sister Caritas

Today's world of rapid living, emphasis on the individual, on freedom from all commitment and law, makes it more difficult to live the promises of marriage, religious life, priesthood or baptism. People are not willing to risk promises which extend into an unknown future. If one cannot rationalize a fact it is easy to reject it as true.

The reading of St. Paul today is something difficult for women especially American women. We look at marriage as equal partners. Obedience to a husbands seems "old fashioned," unacceptable, etc. Women may think, "That call to obedience to a husband is difficult to say the least." The challenge Paul gives men in a marriage is also difficult. We need to hear that message. Men are told to love their wives as Christ loves the Church. They are told to love their wives as they love their own bodies, as they love themselves. We who make vows to God in religious life or priesthood also are challenged to love the people of God and those in our community as Jesus loves the Church.

In the Gospel we have the discussion of the call to believe that the bread and wine IS the body and blood of Jesus. Many people in the time of Jesus, perhaps also people today, have difficulty with this "Mystery of Faith." Jesus asks His disciples, "Will you also go away?" Peter replies, "To whom shall we go, you have the words of everlasting life."

Belief in the Eucharist, participation in the Eucharist is that which helps us to live out our commitments. It helps us to be faithful. It is the union with Jesus in Holy Communion which both strengthens our faith and deepens our faith. We are fed and nourished by the Body and Blood of Jesus. The love we know in the Eucharist enables us to be faithful lovers, faithful followers and imitators of Jesus. We are one with Jesus. We are one with each other. To whom shall we go? Only Jesus gives everlasting life.



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Sr. Bombard offers courses, workshops, retreats, and days of reflection centered on emerging trends in spirituality and leadership.

She served from 1994-2006 as the executive director of the Institute for Spiritual Leadership (ISL) in Chicago.

Leadership is all about influence, which takes place on a two-way street called "Relationship."
Our ability to encourage joy, hope and engagement as we lead others depends on the depth and quality of our relationship with God, self, and others.
Together we will consider reflections and practices that help strengthen these relationships. The day will include prayer, input, and conversation, along with time for solitude and personal reflection.

