Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 11, 2018

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Mass Intentions

November 11, 2018 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. + Jane Pivac by Therese Lee & Margaret Moy Benny Chan by Linda & Michael Myers

10:30 A.M. + Benny Chan, Birthday Remembrance by Darlene Chan-Lowe

Sr. Barbara Walenty by Albert & Bernie Wong

+ Frances Moy Chung by Chris & Darlene Lowe

+ Vivian Tirtadharsana by Family

MON. Nov. 12th Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 A.M Health Blessing for Joseph JianJun Fan by Family

TUE. Nov. 13th Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

8:00 A.M. Health Blessing for Mary HuiQin Li by Family

WED. Nov. 14th Weekday

8:00 A.M. + Deceased Family Members of Dominic Barbaro

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

8:00 A.M.

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

8:00 A.M. +

SAT. Nov. 17th Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

8:00 A.M. + In Loving Memory of Henry Lee by Wife, Children & Grandchildren

Vince Briglio & Bruno Spina by Briglio Family

5:00 P.M. Parishioners and Friends of St. Therese

+ Jimmy Annoreno by Family

+ Chung Hui by Nick & Ellen Andriacchi

+ Domenico Folino by Nick & Ellen Andriacchi

+ Yolanda Morales Grey by Nick & Ellen Andriacchi

+ Bruno Andriacchi by Nick & Ellen Andriacchi



From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

Thanks

Thanks to members of our Young Adult Ministry, Florence Yu and Elizabeth Masangcay for dedicating their last Saturday decluttering and cleaning our east Sacristy, the back area of the main Altar and St. Rocco Room. These areas are much more organized. I am so happy and grateful.



Facility Repair Update

As some of you noticed, we have completed a few facility related improvements in the last four weeks. I would like to take this opportunity to keep you all updated in this regard.

- 1. The broken door at Santa Maria room is replaced with a slightly used door.
- 2. The middle red door accessing to the Prayer Garden in our Community Room is fixed. We took out the rotten outer door and replaced it with the inner door. We also knocked down the doorway walls and rewired the electrical panel and replaced the broken tiles and repainted the area.
- 3. Our rectory porch is fixed. With time and other natural forces, the porch has been leaning forward. It had to be pushed back and two supporting pillars were added to hold the weight and prevent it from falling.
- 4. The bases of the two huge lions were replaced with solid cement and wire bases. Due to the weight of the loins, this turned out to be a big job.

The above improvements are important for the safety and beauty of our facilities. In the last few years, we have done a lot of repairs and improvements to keep our facility in the best shape possible. Currently, we are making plans to renovate our Church floor, which I will keep you posted. *I thank YOU for your support.*





Peace ~ Fr. Francis

2018-19 St. Therese Parish Parent Formation Sessions



Nov. 18, 2018 A Catholic Response to Bullying

Jan. 20, 2019 Why Go to Mass?

Feb. 17, 2019 Confirmation and Combatting Peer Pressure

Facilitated by Thomas Howard, Director of Religious Education

All sessions are on **Sunday from 9:00am to 10:00am** in the Parish Community Room.

FLU SHOT CLINIC



Sunday, November 18th from 9:30am - 12noon. Thanks to WALGREENS & Grace Tan, who will administer the flu shot in our church community room. If you would like to get a flu shot, *please bring your insurance card*—most insurance companies will cover the cost. If you do not have insurance, and want to get the shot, the out of pocket cost is \$42.

Hospitality Schedule for November 18, 2018:

GREETERS: Marian Torrez & STS Students RECEPTION: Kim, Joel & Michael Casey

Today's Liturgy - November 11, 2018

READINGS: GATHER 1186, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time/B

RE-Led Mass

PRECESSIONAL: #607 – Sing a New Song OFFERTORY: #735 – Blest Are They

COMMUNION; #945– I Am the Bread of Life

Meditation Song (RE Students) – Prayer of Saint Francis

RECESSIONAL: #734 – Bring Forth the Kingdom

News and Events



Youth Ministry Activity Sat. Nov. 17th, beginning with the 5pm Mass followed by food and sharing in the

Community Room.

St. Rocco Annual Memorial Mass

Will be on Sunday Nov. 18th at 12 noon.

SECOND COLLECTION

next weekend for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital Patients:

Jasmine, Arnold, Curtis, Lillie, Selmon, Sandra,



Noel, Matthew, Paris, Bradley, Bessie, Tony, Sandy, Raquel, Jose, Robert, Cleatoria, Jameel, Jacqueline, Joseph, Hattie, Patty, Diane, Brenda, Clifton, Charles, Leonard

Renew My Church Announcement

The decision of the new configuration for our Grouping will be announced on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 7pm at St. Barbara Church (2859 S Throop St, Chicago) by Bishop Casey.

Our parishioners and school community are invited to join all the other schools and parishes and their parishioners from our entire grouping at this announcement meeting.

As we enter Phase Four, we ask that you continue to have an open heart and remember our community and our grouping in your daily prayers.

ADVENT: The "COMING Attraction" will be the theme of the Annual Women's Retreat

Day hosted by the Daughters of St. Paul - Saturday, December 1st from 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM at Pauline Books & Media Center, 172 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago IL (just a ½ block north of Millennium Park). Directed by Author & Speaker, Sr. Mary Lea Hill, fsp. The cost: \$40 includes Breakfast, Lunch, and featured book, Advent Christmas Grace. Please RSVP your registration by November 30 – come in person or Email chica-

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The Grand Prize, 1st Prize, 2nd Prize and 3st Prize drawings will be held on December 17, 2018 at St. Thresse Church. An Early Bird Drawing will be held on October 30, 2018 for a chance to win \$1,000, and the winning ticket will be returned into the Grand Prize Drawing. All prize amounts are based on the number of tickets sold and St. Therese reserves the right to adjust prize amounts based on actual ticket sales. Wilnners need not be present. Winners are subject to all federal and state leavs and tixxes.



Happy Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day **EUCHARIST and LUNCHEON** Thursday, November 22, 2018

Our Thanksgiving Day Masses are at 8am and 10:00am. We will host a traditional Thanksgiving Day luncheon right after the 10am mass in the Community Room. All are invited and welcome to celebrate with us!

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 to share a Thanksgiving meal with us.

If you are able to help out with preparing the meal or donating items for the luncheon, please sign up at the church entrance table. 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 plan to attend, please RSVP no later than Tuesday, November 20th, by either signing-up at the church entrance table or calling the Church office at 312-842-6777, so we can prepare an adequate amount of food.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

Create in Me a Clean Heart: A Pastoral Response to Pornography (Part 1)

The Beauty and Vocation of the Human Person

From the beginning of creation, God's beautiful plan for human love was inscribed on the human heart and in the human body. All men and women are created in the image of God and called to love. Jesus fully reveals our identity and vocation and shows us the way of love as a gift of self. The human body speaks a language of gift and communion and has great dignity. It should be treated with the greatest respect. As persons, we are meant to be loved and not used.

The virtue of chastity allows us to gain self-mastery in the area of sexuality. It is opposed to lust (which uses a person) and instead fosters genuine love for the other as a whole person. All of us are called to chastity. In marriage, chastity takes the form of faithful and fruitful love and includes the sexual expression of that love. While sin damages our relationship with God, our own selves, and others, it does not have the last word. Jesus redeemed us and makes it possible for us to live a life of freedom in the Holy Spirit.

Pornography today is a structure of sin. While rooted in the personal sins of individuals, pornography is so pervasive in society that it is difficult to avoid and challenging to remove. Several factors are important to note when evaluating pornography's presence in our culture today.

Victims: The women and men portrayed in pornography have their dignity abused for others' pleasure and profit. There is also the heinous crime of child pornography and pornography's connections to sex trafficking worldwide. **Visibility:** Pornographic and over-sexualized images are present in our culture as never before. It is commonplace to see such images while going about one's daily life. Maintaining purity in this environment is a challenge.

Acceptability: Pornography is often misrepresented as a harmless pastime or even promoted as good, for example to help marital intimacy. Many describe it as "normal" behavior, especially for men.

Technology: The Internet has made pornography accessible, anonymous, mostly free, and endlessly novel. This potent combination continues to have devastating effects on many people.

Industry: Pornography is a big, moneymaking business. The industry is aggressive and savvy, constantly trying to entice new viewers. It is under-regulated and uses the claim of "free speech" to counter legal charges.

Content: Pornographic content available today is increasingly coarse, violent, and degrading. It communicates the message that sex is devoid of love and relationship, and even that sexual violence is acceptable.

Everyone is vulnerable to pornography. Many good people struggle with this habit, including faithful Catholics, married and single people, fathers and mothers, and so on. www.usccb.org/cleanheart

Weekly Offering Collection for November 4, 2018

Sunday Envelopes \$ 1,774 GiveCentral 180 July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$36,681 Sunday Loose 866 July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$41,800

Total Collection \$2,820

Weekly Budget: \$2,200 % of Budget Attained: 87%

Please consider giving one hour of your weekly salary as your contribution.

May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU!

Parish Ministry Series - Music, Part 3: Meet our Ministers!



Singing is praying to me. Each sound echoes my love for the Essence of the universe, my God, the Omniscient.

-Gretta Chamberlain, Ascending Praise

It's such a great honor to use the gift that God has given me to minister unto Him and unto his people. It gives me great joy.

-Myron Crowe, Ascending Praise

I have been in the music ministry for ten years or more. When we sing together, there is a bond we form among the members naturally as we listen to each other attempting to

become one voice. Singing in the Choir is a way of praying, singing God's message, and experiencing a holy moment... "soul embracing power of song."

-Jean Ng, Sacred Sound

St. Augustine said, "He who sings, prays twice." As I get older, I realize how true this is. Whether we are practicing as a group during the week, before Mass, or singing during Mass, I am reminded of this quote and what it means.

"Praying twice" has been a part of our lives for so long, I can't remember not singing in church. Our son, Adam, and I came late to the ministry. Karen has been singing since the '90's, and Dan has been participating in music ministry on and off all his life.

Since arriving at St. Therese we have come to know the community as friends and brothers and sisters in Christ. This has helped us as a choir to not only grow spiritually, but liturgically as well. It is a

blessing and a privilege to be participating in music ministry at St. Therese. "Praying twice" for this community is our treasure. -Pam Spano, *Joyful Noise*

Can you also be a "light to all in the house?"

Has God granted you the gift of musical talent? Come set your light on the lampstand of Music Ministry so that all at St. Therese may glorify God to your gift! We are always in need of additional musicians to sing or play an instrument. If you have musical skills you'd be willing to share with the parish, please approach our Music Director, Lily May. You can also email her at office@StThereseChinatown.org.



Annual Altar Server Training and Outing Schedule on Sunday Nov. 18th:

- -9:00 NEW ACOLYTE TRAINING
- -10:30 Family Mass
- -11:30 Pizza
- -1:00 Start Walking to Super Happy Fun Time Water Taxi Ride (Please Register)
- -1:20 Ride to Michigan Avenue Stop
- -1:55 Arrive Michigan Avenue (w. 30 minutes to goof around)
- -2:25 Get Back on Water Taxi to Chinatown
- -2:35 Dismiss kids from Church





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

Anne Pataka Gerard Phillips Lois Payton Helen Moy Joey L. Katherine Culen

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John Palenik Luz Whitehead Jade Yee Anthony Scuito Dolly Roti

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Victor Roa Felina Li

"GOD'S GENEROSITY" by Sister Caritas

In my life as a Sister, I have often been ministering and working among the poor. It has been my experience that they are always willing to share what little they have. Somehow there is always room for one more person at their table. When I was ministering on the reservation in Arizona, in the Sonoran Desert, I was going to a distant village. I taught the class in the evening and I had to return to the same area the next morning so I decided to sleep in the van overnight. I did not want to park just anywhere so I asked a family I knew if I could park near their house. I had most of what I needed but asked for some water the next morning to wash my face and a cup of coffee. They readily agreed. Shortly after I parked, they came to van and invited me into their home. They had a meal prepared and shared their evening meal and time with me. I was cared for as if they knew I was coming. What they had they willingly shared. I have never forgotten this experience. The next morning they came to the van with coffee and the water I had asked for to wash my face. Truly I had been generously cared for in the middle of the desert. Though they wanted me to come in overnight, I did not want to impose on their limited space and was quite comfortable in the van. I carry them in my memory and heart even today.

Many times I have been challenged by watching one of my brothers. He has met many setbacks and sufferings in his life but he always shares what he has with those who need it. Even now when he cannot work, he still finds ways to give and share what he has. He never is concerned about having what he needs for he has long ago learned that God never leaves him without what he needs. He gives freely to others and God continues to take care of him.

The Gospel today tells us of a widow who came to contribute to the temple. Jesus tells "the crowds" that the widow, who gave a small amount, really had given more than those who gave much more to the Temple. "The others gave out of their surplus wealth. The widow gave all she had to live on." It has been my experience that God is never outdone in generosity. Trust God and His love for us. Be kind and generous to those in need. You will have what you NEED, not always what you want. Always give thanks.



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Parish Ministry Series - - - "ALTAR SERVER"

Reflections from...

Aliyah Dioquino

Altar serving is a great experience. It helps you understand the parts of the mass, and how it's done. After altar serving for a while, I've gotten the hang of when to stand, sit, what to say, when and how to ring the bells, and other parts in mass. It has given me a great opportunity to learn about the Church and being a servant of God, helping him "organize" his rest day. I'm also a lector, and I really enjoy reading the Word of God. It helps me share the Word of God out loud to others and help me learn about the word



of God and Jesus' life too. Helping out in the Church is a great opportunity. It doesn't matter what you do to help, because either way you are helping God and our community.

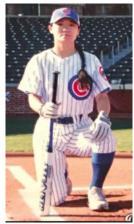
Hailan Yu

My experience as an altar server was amazing. I am currently in 7th grade at St. Therese School. I have been serving for at least one year. I think I have serve quite a lot for one year. I serve with different people each time I serve, no matter if they are St. Therese students or people from the Parish community. I liked that I meet new people from the Parish when I serve. Serving is like a job. You are helping serve God to the people. Altar servers play a huge part of the Mass. Although altar serving is fun, it should also be taken seriously. I altar serve because I want to help the Parish community. Although I am not Catholic, I can still help out, and altar serving is one of the ways. Throughout the year, there are different celebrations for a special holiday or season. It's also so interesting to see what the Church is doing and altar serving for events like that is really fun.

I think I gain more knowledge of how the Church works when I altar serve. I learn more about the Gospels every time I serve. I see what the Church does to celebrate each and every holiday. I get to experience what St. Therese does as a helper and contribute to the Mass.

Altar serving is truly an amazing experience, and some may have different experiences than me, but that is okay. Everyone experiences things differently. No matter what, I would still recommend people to become altar servers. It will be a great experience.





Dear brothers and sisters, my name is Jing, one of the core members of YAM and I am honored to be part of this wonderful community. I enjoy planning events with other core YAM members and be part of the activities because they help me to be connected with God and others. I truly believe that it is important to have our young people involved in our parish. I hope YAM ministry can bring our young people closer to our God and Church.

Personally, I enjoy doing yoga, playing golf and baseball, reading spiritual books, dining out with friends, and playing with my dog Mimi. My choice drink is Blue Moon!

To all Young Adults out there, I invite YOU to join our YAM activities. please connect with us at: young.adult.ministry@sttheresechinatown.org or on Facebook!