

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time November 4, 2018

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Oct 14 - Nov 12, 10月14日-11月12日



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Mass Intentions

November 4, 2018 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. + Jane Pivac by Phyllis & Rose Marie Centofanti

10:30 A.M. + Joanna Wai Nin Wan Law by Thomas Law & Family
+ Jenping J. and Diane Marie Chan by Family
+ Sr. Barbara Walenty by Elisa Wong
+ Frances Moy Chung by Gertrude Chan

MON. Nov. 5th

Weekday

8:00 A.M. + Frances Chung by Annie Lowe

TUE. Nov. 6th

Weekday

8:00 A.M. + Frances Chung by Marie Chan

WED. Nov. 7th

Weekday

8:00 A.M. + Frances Chung by Woodie & Gerri Moy
+ Poor & Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Dominic Barbaro

THU. Nov. 8th

Weekday

8:00 A.M.

FRI. Nov. 9th

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 A.M. +

SAT. Nov. 10th

Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:00 A.M.

5:00 P.M. Parishioners and Friends of St. Therese
+ Jimmy Annoreno by Family



From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

Thanks

Thanks to **Florence Yu and all** who helped with the reception last Sunday. Our community, especially The Sacred Heart Ladies, really enjoyed the delicious food and joyful fellowship.

Thanks to **Elizabeth Masangcay** and her daughter **Mary Masangcay** for doing a great job of decorating our Altars for the Month of the Holy Souls.



Update on Renew My Church

As you may recall, the Renew My Church process started in February 2018 with eight parishes and six schools in our Bridgeport/Canaryville/Chinatown grouping, including All Saints-Saint Anthony, St. Barbara, St. Jerome, St. Mary of Perpetual Help, St. Gabriel, Nativity of Our Lord, Santa Lucia, and Bridgeport Catholic Academy. Each parish sent representatives to meetings in these past months to discuss, create, and explore different scenarios in conjunction with the Archdiocese of Chicago. The goal of these scenarios is to determine the arrangement of church resources that will best serve everyone.

Our Church and School have completed the first three phases of the Renew My Church. The decision of the new configuration for the parishes and schools 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. We are confident for the best outcome for our community and neighborhood, and hope that our Catholic Church continues to grow as Jesus wanted the Church to continue.

Peace ~ Fr. Francis

Whether you aced Catholicism 101
or weren't able to attend any sessions, join us for



**St. Therese Church's
2018 Faith Formation Series**
11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. | Community Room



with missionary disciple
and dynamic speaker,
Tom McGuire
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Mar 11, 2018 | Being Loved is the Source of Mission
*"Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God,
and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." -John 17:3*

Apr 15, 2018 | A Loving Response is Mission
*"This is how all will know that you are my disciples,
if you have love for one another." -John 13:35*

Jun 10, 2018 | The Fruit of Love is Compassionate Service
*"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt
compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience..." -Col 3:12*

Sep 30, 2018 | Sharing Stories of Love
"And he spoke to them at length in parables..." -Matthew 13.3

Nov 11, 2018 | Loving Means Dying to Self
*"Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in
human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself,
becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross." Phil 2:7-8*

Hospitality Schedule for November 11, 2018:

GREETERS: Daniel Rak, Tim Tie, Flo Yu
RECEPTION: Flo, Teresa

Today's Liturgy - November 4, 2018

READINGS: GATHER 1183, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time/B
Cantonese Mass / Chinese Hymnal

PRECESSIONAL: #354 – 奔赴主前 Before God

OFFERTORY: #210 – 上主, 萬有的天主 Lord Almighty

COMMUNION; #484 - 有一新誠命 New Commandment

RECESSIONAL: #374 - 我們全心感謝天主 We Wholeheartedly Thank God

News and Events

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 6th at 6:30pm

Religious Education Students Led Mass

Will be next Sunday at the 10:30am mass.

Youth Ministry Activity

The next youth gathering will be on 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.

Thanksgiving Day

Masses are at 8am and 10am. There will be a traditional Thanksgiving Luncheon in the Community Room after the 10am mass. Please join us for mass and the meal and help us to invite those who might need a place to celebrate this wonderful holiday. Your donations for food and time are needed too. Please see the sign up sheet at Church entrance table.



Please pray for the following

Mercy Hospital Patients:

Audra, John, Ronald, Matthew, Reggie, Martha, Ada, Jay-Jay, Cornelius, Olivia, Dangelo, Ella, Laura, Sheila, Sharion



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.

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Sat., November 3

9:30 AM to Noon

Church Cleaning

Help us declutter and organize before the Advent season!

Sun., December 9

10:30 AM

Young Adult Mass & Refreshments

Celebrated by Fr. Jamie Mueller
Archdiocesan Young Adult Engagement

Sat., January 12

Time TBA

Young Adult Social

Young Adults ages 18-40 invited.
Save the Date! Activity TBA



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The Grand Prize, 1st Prize, 2nd Prize and 3rd Prize drawings will be held on December 17, 2018 at St. Therese 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. Winners need not be present. Winners are subject to all federal and state laws and taxes.

School Happenings

St. Therese School celebrated its second *National Blue Ribbon*, awarded by the US Department of Education on Friday, October 19th. This celebration, which gathered together St. Therese students, staff, parishioners, alumni, and friends, honored the hard work and dedication by all in our community that helped earn this award!



Thank YOU to all the 2018 Walk-a-Thon walkers, volunteers and sponsors!

Total Net Raised: \$17,098.17

Amount Raised: \$13,992.49

Matched Funds from Donors: 4,000

Expenses: \$894.32

Net Raised: 17,098.17

Fundraising Stars:



(Raised over \$1,000 for matching fund)

Mike Chan

Sharon Wong & Tony Lin

Darlene Chan

Sheila & John Lin

Florence Yu

Parish Ministry Series - Music, Part 2: All Are Welcome!

Hello, my name is Kalina Pon. Thanks to my daughters, I was finally able to get baptized with my family in 2011. After that, we attended Sunday mass every week. I especially enjoyed the choir music led by Wendy and Lily during it. My thoughts were, how blessed we are to have such beautiful music for our worship.



But as time passed, I noticed my mind wandering off during mass, and I was very concerned. How can I? Mass is only an hour of worship. As I was trying to figure things out, I started to pay attention to the Choir's meditative ways: they worship, pray, and sing not only harmoniously, but whole heartedly. So I started to follow along more with them. My daughter noticed and asked "why don't you join them?" But how? I have no experience in singing whatsoever. Furthermore I have a touch of anxiety, and singing for the church is a serious business.

Fast forward seven years, I am sitting on a choir pew, gently greeting my fellow choir members. As usual they are always eager to guide me through the music or show me the next note. They never mind that I am a slow learner. We are all simply there for one reason: to be with God and to find a moment of peace in our hearts, looking forward to an hour of simple pure-hearted worship. Come sit with me, I look forward to guiding you, too!!

Are you also feeling like Kalina did seven years ago - interested in the music but unsure if the ministry is for you? Here are two "trial" options to help you decide:

The Music Ministry Mezzanine is a safe space for those who would like to try their voice at singing with the choir without taking the full plunge. You are invited to sit in the pews adjacent to the choir during our rehearsals and the 10:30am mass to see how it feels and to learn how the ministry works. Just show up at 9:15am on any Sunday.

The Festival Choir is perfect for those who would like to sing but cannot make a year-round commitment. This group joins in just for the Christmas and Easter seasons to prepare for those special masses. Contact Lily May for more information.

Reflection by Florence Yu: The Sacred Heart Ladies Luncheon

I am honored and humbled that I was able to prepare a meal for such a wonderful group of ladies. It reminds me of why my mother joined in membership with them to raise funds for the church. These ladies are pillars in our St. Therese community. Over the past couple of years God had called for some of them to return to His Kingdom. We still hold on to a solid group and during our gathering we shared stories about faith and personal journeys in life. It was a great event and I look forward to many more.



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

Lois Payton
Helen Moy
Katherine Culen
Amelia Lorraine Schroeder
Karl Schroeder
Phil Maraldi
Nicholas Tobar
Vincent Thome
Barbara McElroy
Ramona Zavala
Michael Howley
Betsy Young
Richard Tobar
Rose Perez
Phyllis Robinson
Bai Xue
John Palenik
Luz Whitehead
Jade Yee
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Lan Ying Yee
Ching Shiu Yau
Henry F. Wong
Matthew Mantia
Phyllis Centofanti
Susan Zibricky
Barbara Metzinger
Victor Roa
Felina Li

"An Attitude of Gratitude" by Sister Caritas

For what are you grateful? As little children we learn to say, "thank you" from our families. I can still hear in my memory, my Mother saying to me and to my siblings, "Now what do you say?" when we were given a gift... It is one of the lessons we learned as very small children and I see my brothers and sister and their children, passing this lesson along to their children and their children's children. It was one way we learned that we were not "owed" anything but that everything we were given was a gift. What happened to our "attitude of gratitude?" Have we "bought into" the idea that we "deserve" people's generosity and kindness or the many gifts of God?

We are beginning the month of November. We honor the Saints and the Holy Souls in Purgatory and it is also the month of Thanksgiving. We need to remember this special time even as the merchants and advertisements try to stamp out this celebration with trying to extend their store hours of shopping for Christmas even into October before Halloween.

The readings today point to the fact that we have only One God. He made all creation for which we give thanks. We do not worship money or things. We honor and worship and reverence the one true God and keep God's laws above all else. It seems that it is easy to "take things for granted." We expect and want things to be "given" to us. We do not remember that we are owed nothing but respect for the dignity of the human person. What are you grateful for today? What a difference a consistent attitude of gratitude could make. We would be grateful to God for all the blessings of life, beauty, food, faith and friendship. All is the gift of God including our very being, our very breathe. Prepare now, in early November. Try to live each day counting the many blessings which exist in your live. By the end of the day see how many blessings you can find. Think of the positive of what is instead of "what is not." Praise and Thank God and share the blessings and wealth God has poured out upon you. So I say as my Mother and Grandmother did before me, "What do you say?" Thank you! Thank God for all blessings!

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“For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. ~ Psalm 139:13-16”

The goal of the Respect Life Ministry is to promote the sacredness of the “Gift” of life. In every stage of life, God is there to shape and form us. When the Word was made flesh, the God Man humbled Himself to go through the same growing process in the womb of the Blessed Mother. We cannot deny our little brothers and sisters who are in need of our help. Likewise, in every homeless, sick and dying person, can we see the suffering Christ in them? If so, how will we answer Jesus’ question, “Will you deny me and leave me?”

During the 40 Days for Life campaign, many volunteers offer their time through peaceful and prayerful witness standing outside abortion facilities for hours. Occasionally, we get supports from cars passing by, we also receive curses and distasteful gestures from others. It was not a good feeling, should we just give up? For we are only instruments of the Lord and we offer everything up to Him. Even if 1 out of 1,000 innocent lives is spared, we shout for joy and give thanks because it is the work of the Holy Spirit.

Will you join us to defend life, to be the voice of the voiceless and to be the hands and feet of Jesus?
~ Henry & Jennifer Chan

MEET OUR YOUNG ADULT LEADERSHIP TEAM 2

Hi all, I'm Jen, the other coordinator of the Young Adult Ministry. I'm a St. Therese School alum and I've been active with the church since the 7th grade. I'm excited to continue working with our core group to meet young adults aged 18-40 and to host different activities for us to strengthen our faith, to give back to our community, and to just hang out together. Growing up here, I thought that we had a strong foundation of parishioners, like a second family, and I want to help this family to continue to grow and to continue St. Therese's history. Outside of YAM, I enjoy buildings, traveling, recycling, and my favorite adult beverage, Moscow Mules. If you would like to join one or more of our events, please reach out to us at young.adult.ministry@sttheresechinatown.org or on Facebook!



Thanks!

—Jen