# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 20, 2019

# 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

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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**

# January 20, 2019 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**8:00 A.M**. + David Jarzyna, 15th Anniversary by Wife Cookie

**10:30 A.M.** + Gail Yong by Gertrude Chan

+ Gary Pionke by Doreen & Joseph Eng

MON. Jan. 21st

St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 A.M.

TUE. Jan. 22nd Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:00 A.M. + Bruno Roti, Birthday Remembrance by Marion Roti

WED. Jan. 23rd Saint Vincent, Deacon & Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin

**8:00 A.M.** + Deceased Relatives & Friends of Dominic Barbaro

THU. Jan. 24th Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**8:00 A.M.** Birthday Blessing for Lauren May

FRI. Jan. 25th The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

**8:00 A.M.** + Deceased family members of Dominic Barbaro Birthday Blessing for Lily May

SAT. Jan. 26th Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

8:00 A.M.

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

+ Jimmy Annoreno by Family

+ Michael Phillips, Birthday Remembrance by Brother & Sisters



## From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

#### **Thanks**

Thanks to all who led and participated in the events our parish offered last weekend. From Youth Gathering to Young Adult Bowling Social, from Collin Chen's baptism to commissioning of the Respect Life Ministers, and from taking down Christmas decorations to the Appreciation Luncheon for our dedicated volunteers and staff, we had a really busy but life-giving weekend.













#### World Youth Day 2019



This week, Jan. 22-27, World Youth Day will take place in Panama City, Panama. It was a great joy for me to meet and welcome a group of Taiwanese youth who were on their way to join the World Youth Day to visit our Church on Friday Jan. 11. They enjoyed visiting our beautiful Church, especially the photo of the Chinese Madonna and Jesus at the Church entrance area. They hope their pilgrimage will bring them closer to God.

The theme for this year's World Youth Day is, "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word" (Lk 1:38). To help the young people to be ready, Pope Francis shared a video message with them, in which he acknowledged the willingness of the young people to serve others and invites them to imitate Mary's example by being open to God's will for them and ready to listen to God's answers for their life.

Let's keep all participants of this year's World Youth Day and all the young people in our parish in our prayers.

# World Youth Day USA Prayer

God our Father, be with us on our pilgrim journey of faith. Give us the grace and courage to step forward in faith and hope on the road ahead.

Open our eyes to see your face in all those we encounter. Open our ears to hear your voice in those who are often ignored. Open our hearts that we might be faithful disciples of mercy and truth.

Transform us. Empower us to give of ourselves to the poor; to welcome the lost; to forgive those who hurt us; to comfort those who suffer and are marginalized.

Bless those who travel from the United States of America to Panamá, to join the universal Church for World Youth Day. Bless, too, those who celebrate stateside, united in faith and joy.

Like the disciples who journeyed up the mountain to witness the Transfiguration, may this experience be an encounter that strengthens us for our work in the world.

Through the intercession of Mary, the Immaculate Conception, patroness of our nation, may we be worthy witnesses of our faith, humble representatives of our country, and inspired missionaries bringing peace, hope, and mercy into our communities.

We ask all this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

- St. José Sánchez del Rio, pray for us. St. Juan Diego, pray for us. Bl. Sor María Romero Meneses, pray for us. St. John Bosco, pray for us. Bl. Oscar Arnulfo Romero, pray for us. St. Martin de Porres, pray for us. St. Rose of Lima, pray for us.
- St. James the Apostle, patron of pilgrim travelers, pray for us.
- St. Kateri Tekakwitha, young faithful witness from our native land, pray for us.
- St. Therese of Lisieux, patroness of missionaries, advocate for youth, pray for us.
- Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati, patron of young adults, man of the beatitudes, pray for us.
- St. John Paul II, founder and patron of World Youth Day, pray for us.

http://www.usccb.org/about/world-youth-day/index.cfm

#### Hospitality Schedule for January 27, 2019:

GREETERS: Steve Casey, Agnes Lee, Flo Yu RECEPTION: Pat & Steve

**Today's Liturgy - January 20, 2019** 

READINGS: GATHER 1097, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time/C —Family Mass

**PROCESSIONAL:** #842 – Come to Us

OFFERTORY: #932 – One Bread, One Body COMMUNION; #588 – I Have Loved You Meditation Song (Children's Choir): Give Thanks

**RECESSIONAL:** #835 – They'll Know We are Christians (by our love)

#### News and Events

#### 2019 Parishioner Offering Box

If you don't have an assigned box and would like to have a set of it, please contact the parish office.

# Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital Patients:



Willie, Sammie, Anthony, Yoland, Luchrisha, Vermadell, Mary, William, Clennon, James, Linda, Tanyatta, Carol, Josephine, Minnie, Anthony, Malone, Mary, Karl, Li-

nus, Edward, Dennis, Cynthia, Carey, Carnell, Travis, Doroty, Virgil, Elliott

#### **Save the Date**

Our Lunar New Year celebration will be on Sunday, Feb. 10th at 10:00am.

Sat., February 2

5:00 PM

Mass + Youth Ministry Meeting

Help mentor and lead the future Young Adults of St. Therese!

Sat., March 9\*

Time TBD

Service Project TBD

\*Date subject to change – stay tuned for details!



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#### **RESPECT LIFE CORNER**

Day of Prayer – The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": "In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion." As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices, fasting and/or giving alms. Another way to take part is through participating in special events to observe the anniversary of *Roe v Wade* in local area. See overview at Website <a href="http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/resources/january-22-day-of-prayer.cfm">http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/resources/january-22-day-of-prayer.cfm</a>.

March for Life — Thousands of pro-lifers from Illinois and the neighboring states such as Wisconsin, Indiana, and Michigan came to Chicago downtown for the inter-denomination event "March for Life" last Sunday. Even though the heavy snow the night before prevented the head of the Lutheran Synod from traveling into the state to take part in the event, there were an opening prayer offered by an Orthodox Bishop and an inspiring speech given by Cardinal Cupich. Other powerful speakers included two congressmen and a sport team owner. In particular, a young mother holding a beautiful 3 year old baby girl told the audience how the Chicago Aid of Women had helped her to get through all the difficulties in her pro-life choice made 3 years ago. A male speaker having a nice singing voice told his own stories of being a child of an unknown rape victim and growing up as the first adopted son of a family which subsequently adopted more children of different ethnicities; and in the end, he showed off a current picture of his own family as well as a large group picture of the huge assembly of all the many family members of his adopted siblings. More moving stories and speeches were to be heard in the next march for life in Washington DC on January 18. You may find them in pro-life news sources such as the Websites LifeNews.com and priestforlife.org.

**Quote** – "We are created to walk with and support one another; we don't need to fear reaching out in love. Help your friend experience the strength of God's message that resounds throughout time: 'Do not fear: I am with you' (*Isaiah 41:10*)." — USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "What to Do When a Friend Is Considering Abortion", www.usccb.org/l-o-v-e, NABRE©2010CCD.

**Our Prayer** – For all women with difficult pregnancies: Through the intercession of Our Lady, may they be lovingly supported in welcoming the mystery of life within them. *We pray to the Lord.* 







On 1/13/2019, members of the parish Respect Life Ministry received blessings from Fr. Li in the morning, and they participated in the **2019 March for Life in Chicago** downtown in the afternoon.



#### A note of support from Fr. Daniel Kim on RMC:

Dear beloved members of the St. Therese community:

As you know during my seminary training in Chicago, I had the blessing and privilege of serving all of you as a transitional deacon. If I were to list all the memorable and wonderfully formative experiences I had during my time with you all, this statement would easily be many pages in length. Thus for the sake of being timely and concise, please let me just share that your faith filled and vibrant community under the care of your pastor Fr. Francis Li has instilled in my heart not only encouragement and joy in my vocation but also the conviction that you are indeed a unique and invaluable part of the greater patchwork of parish communities that makes the Archdiocese of Chicago so wonderfully diverse. So it is my hope and prayer that you will continue to give witness to the Good News of Christ in the distinct way that you do far into the future. Thank you for all the love and support you have shown me during my time there and please be assured of my well wishes and prayers as well.

Yours in Christ. Fr. Daniel Kim

Weekly Offering		
Collection for January 13, 2019		
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 1,179	
GiveCentral	327	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$56,825
Sunday Loose	436	July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$63,800
Total Collection	\$1,942	
Weekly Budget:	\$2,200	% of Budget Attained: 89%
Please consider giving one hour of <b>your weekly salary as your contribution.</b>		

May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU!



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend our archdiocese will take up the national Collection for the Church in Latin America. Last year, when Pope Francis opened registrations for World Youth Day in Panama, he said, "WYD is for the courageous! Not for young people who are searching only for comfort and who withdraw whenever difficulties arise. Do you accept the challenge?" (Message for the Thirty-Third World Youth Day, February 11, 2018). Pope Francis echoed Jesus' call for young people to encounter one another and to experience the beauty of the Church. Young people are the future of our Church. We have a responsibility to support them as they grow in faith.

You have helped young people accept the challenge to grow in faith by your ongoing support for the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your generosity is helping the young people of the Archdiocese of Panama build relationships with one another, with their peers throughout Latin America, and with the rest of the world as they prepare for World Youth Day 2019. This is a tremendous event in the life of the Church, and these young people are now experiencing it to the fullest! You have given them the opportunity to grow as leaders and to develop missionary hearts.

Our archdiocese takes up this collection this weekend, Jan. 19-20. Please be generous in this collection. Take this opportunity to share your faith with young people in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your support will truly make a difference. Thank you and God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich Archbishop of Chicago

For more information on the Church in Latin America and the many projects funded by the collection, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

#### ST. THERESE SCHOOL NEWS

#### Tax Credit Scholarship Matching Gift Program

A group of generous donors has agreed to pool their resources and offer a 2-for-1 matching gift program to schools run by the Archdiocese of Chicago. *For every dollar designated to St. Therese Chinese Catholic School through Empower* Illinois Scholarship Granting Organization through February 28, 2019, St. Therese will receive two dollars in matching funds for student scholarships.

You can receive a 75 percent Illinois state income tax credit for donating to needs-based scholarships through this Illinois tax credit scholarship program.

Visit <a href="www.archchicago.org/tcs">www.archchicago.org/tcs</a> to learn more, or contact <a href="tcs@archchicago.org">tcs@archchicago.org</a> and 312.534.2617.



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#### "Spirit Filled and Gifted" by Sister Caritas

One of the things we learn as we grow, is that we discover what we are good at and what we are not good at. We may need to be taught the needed skill. We may need to practice the skill we have to make it grow. St. Paul tells us in today's second reading there are many different kinds of gifts but the Holy Spirit is the "giver" of all good gifts. Each gift is given for the good of the community. We discover our gifts or talents by taking a risks. We try to use the skill or gift. Perhaps to our amazement we find we can do it. Stepping out and taking a chance helps us to discover one gift and from doing this one action we gradually develop more talents and gifts. All of these are gifts of the Holy Spirit for our good and others. Often we are afraid. We think we may make a mistake and be embarrassed or others will criticize us our or we may "dishonor" our family or ourselves. Our fears and hesitations can be overcome by the action and coming of the Holy Spirit. We need to open ourselves and embrace the action of the Spirit in us and around us. We are called to respond to the Spirit and embrace the situation for the need of others. The situation will be grace-filled. As St. Paul tells us, whatever the gift is given for the good of the Church community, and others, we will be transformed.

We as members of St. Therese, at this moment are in a place or situation where it would be very easy to step back and not use the gifts we have for the Church. The spirit is needed to help our Church to continue to grow. Our reaching out to share the Word of God, the Gospel is more important now than before. As an evangelizing community we proclaim Jesus wherever we are and to whomever we meet. Our welcoming and accepting spirit is called for and needed by the Church now. Our call to evangelize continues wherever we are. What we need to remember is we are never are alone. The Holy Spirit is with us, filling us with grace and with God. God acts through us if we are open and willing to be open to God's actions. Will you be open? Will you risk or will you hesitate? Our compassion is needed by our members and all the others around us.

We need only to look at the story of St. Paul in where he describes all the sufferings he faced in preaching the Gospel. Look at Jesus on the cross. He suffered for us. Many other people in the Archdiocese are also experiencing what we are. God is with us and filling us with courage. God will always give the grace we need, the courage we need, the skill we need. Step up, reach out. Allow the Holy Spirit to fill you and encourage you. Share your faith and life. Let God act through you.



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