

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 29, 2019

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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, 4:15-4:45 pm at St. Barbara Church 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.

***See Mass Schedule in News & Events**

Mass Intentions

Sept. 29, 2019 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 A.M.** + Sr. Marie Corinne Rost by Katherine Moy
+ Yolanda Morales-Gray by Jorge Morales
- 10:30 A.M.** + Loraine Pon by George & Family

MON. Sept. 30th Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
****(Mass at St. Therese Church)***

- 8:00 A.M.** + Nancy Caruso by Family
+ Rose Nardi by Francine
+ Gar Gen Lee by George Lee & Family

TUE. Oct. 1st Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
****(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)***

8:00 A.M.

WED. Oct. 2nd The Holy Guardian Angels
****(Mass at St. Therese Church)***

- 8:00 A.M.** Blessing for Maria Lee by Parents
Blessing for Jimmy Lee by MeiLing Lee and Family

THU. Oct. 3rd Weekday
****(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)***

8:00 A.M.

FRI. Oct. 4th Saint Francis of Assisi
****(Mass at St. Therese Church)***

- 8:00 A.M.** + Kathleen Roti, Birthday Remembrance by Marion & Cookie
+ Rosemary Bertucci Vitacco by Marion Roti

SAT. Oct. 5th Weekday

8:00 A.M.

5:00 P.M. ****(Mass at St. Barbara Church)***

From the Desk of Fr. Francis

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

Thanks

Thanks to Fr. Andrzej Beltowski for his faithful and committed years of service to St. Barbara and to St. Mother Teresa and to the Archdiocese of Chicago. We congratulate him on his retirement and wish him well as he plans to return to his home country.

Thanks to all who attended Vitality Day last Wednesday sponsored by Vicariate III. Our parish had a wonderful group of leaders and volunteers who participated. It's worthy to note we were the largest group among all the participating parishes.

Thanks to all who have made the vision possible for St. Barbara Gym and Lower Hall to have two beautiful painted San Damiano Crucifixes. They are powerful reminders of our call to Renew My Church as St. Francis was called to do. I know the journey continues to be hard and challenging for many in our new community. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your family and keep each other in your prayers. Also, please do not hesitate to call me or make an appointment to speak with me. I want to listen to you and hear from you.



Avoiding the Rich Man's Fate

Today's Gospel offers us a powerful parable that calls us to pay attention, to wake up and to not be absorbed by ourselves. Poor Lazarus was out humbly asking for help, but the rich man lived in closed doors with sumptuous food and lifestyles.

Saint Mother Teresa remarked that you can find Calcutta all over the world, if you have eyes to see. So can we too, find Lazarus all over the world if we have eyes to see. Lazarus can be all around us in those physically suffering, but also in those spiritually suffering. Faced with tremendous sufferings in our world today, our responses must be doing both the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

A helpful lesson came to me as I read the Gospel story today. Lazarus was not welcomed inside the door of the rich man. He was ignored. His fate became the fate of the rich man's in afterlife. The only difference is that the rich man met his fate by all the choices he made in his earthly life. This can offer us a lot to reflect on the ministry of hospitality that we strive to offer and build up in our Church and in our parish.

Just this past Wednesday, when our parish leaders attended the Vitality Day, the message of the day was on the necessity of hospitality for a vital parish life. Hospitality is an essential first step for cultivating a culture of evangelization. It is **an opportunity to experience and share God's grace**. Abraham and Sarah unknowingly entertained angels through their warm hospitality. In practicing hospitality we too are encountering God through our brothers and sisters who are made in the image of God.

So let's pray that we can see Lazarus around us and have the strength to open our doors to them and welcome them into our lives and our families and our churches. In practicing hospitality, we please our God and encounter our God and we allow God to love others and the world through you and through me today.

Peace, Fr. Francis



Calling All Liturgical Ministers at St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish!

Our annual gathering will be on **Saturday, Nov. 16th** beginning with a complimentary lunch at St. Barbara gym and ending with the 5pm Sunday Vigil Mass. Fr. Bradley Zamora, graduate of St. Barbara and Liturgy Professor at Mundelein Seminary will guide us through the day and the topic is "*Encountering Christ through Liturgy.*" Please reserve the date and plan to join us for a wonderful day of prayers, fellowship, renewal and sharing!

For those of you who are not liturgical ministers yet, but feel you are called to join a new liturgical ministry, you are most welcome to speak with Fr. Francis or Fr. Lucas. We would love to have you joining our ministries!

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News and Events

The Feast of the Saint Therese of the Child

Jesus will be celebrated on Sunday, Oct. 6th at the 10:30am mass at St. Therese Worship Site. All are welcome! Please remember to pray the Novena to St. Therese!

Parish Pilgrimage - October 12, 2019

St. Therese is sponsoring a Pilgrimage to the Carmelite Shrine in Munster, IN. We begin with Mass at St. Barbara Church at 8:00 A.M. Depart at 8:45 A.M. Bus Cost \$10 Lunch \$10. Further information & registration forthcoming.

Holy Hour Our First Friday devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will take place on Friday, October 4th at 7pm in Church. We will pray the Chaplets of the Divine Mercy and have Benediction. All are welcome.



Wedding Banns:

Nicole D. Yong and **Ishan Jain** will celebrate their matrimony on Saturday, October 19th. Please keep them in your prayers.

2020 Pilgrimage

Fr. Francis Li will be hosting a 12-day Marian Shrine Pilgrimage in June 2020. The itinerary includes Fatima, St. Teresa of Avila, Lourdes, Saint Therese of Lisieux (our Patron Saint) and Cathedrals in Paris. There are fliers at the church entrance table with more details.



Are you interested in becoming an altar server?

We welcome anyone grade 5 and up in this important ministry!

Contact Mr. Joe A Delfin at jdelfin@sttheresechicago.org

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Barbara Church:

Weekends:

Saturday: Anticipated Mass: 5:00PM
Sunday: 6:00AM & 9:30AM

Weekdays:

8:00AM Mass: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays

St. Therese Church:

Weekends:

Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM, and Mandarin Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month at 12:00PM

Cantonese Mass 粵語:

1st Sunday of each month at 10:30am
每月第一主日 上午十時三十分

Indonesian Mass 印尼語:

Mass from August 2019 –January 2020 at Divine Word Mission in Techny, IL

Mandarin Mass 國語:

4th Sunday of each month at 12:00noon
每月第四主日 中午十二時

Weekdays:

8:00AM Mass: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

ATTENTION: For those who make your offering in the form of a check, please continue to make checks payable to your respective Worship Site Churches until it is announced otherwise.

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Special October Masses



Date	Time	Worship Site	Description
Monday 10-07-19	8:00 AM	St. Therese	School mass for St. Therese Campus
Tuesday 10-08-19	8:00 AM	St. Barbara	School mass for St. Barbara Campus
Sunday 10-13-19	9:30 AM and 10:45 a.m.	St. Barbara	Family Mass with Altar Server Installation at 9:30 followed by Parent Formation talk on Virtues and Discipline at 10:45 a.m. in the Church
Sunday 10-20-19	9 a.m. and 10:30AM	St. Therese	Parent Formation talk on Virtues and Discipline at 9 a.m. in the community room followed by Family Mass with Altar Server Installation
Monday 10-21-19	8:00AM	St. Therese	School Mass for St. Therese Campus
Tuesday 10-22-19	8:00AM.	St. Barbara	School Mass for St. Barbara Campus
Wed. 10-30-19	8:00AM	St. Therese	Class Mass for 8th Graders of BOTH Campuses

Hospitality Schedule for October 6, 2019:

GREETERS: Agnes, Flo, Teresa / **RECEPTION:** Feast of St. Therese

Today's Liturgy - Sept. 29, 2019
Gather 1169, - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time/C

PROCESSIONAL: #842 – Come to Us
OFFERTORY: #584 – Come to the Water
COMMUNION: #816 – What You Have Done for Me
RECESSIONAL: #624 – Lift Up Your Hearts

Michael Schedule:

Sept. 29 : 8am: Chris; 10:30am: Earl, Tim
Oct. 6 : 8am: Chris 10:30am: Cameron, Robert



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

Cita Orendain
 Lois Payton
 Helen Moy
 Benjamin N. Lucas
 Amelia Lorraine Schroeder
 Karl Schroeder
 Phil Maraldi
 Nicholas Tobar
 Sister Noel Devine
 Barbara McElroy
 Ramona Zavala
 Michael Howley
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 John Palenik

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 Bai Xue

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 Victor Roa
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 Shiu Wah Leung
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 Mia Rose Faciana
 Angelo Iasillo
 Anthony Valentino
 Anthony Scuito
 James Gemkow
 Frank Karagianes
 Levi Kirkland
 Ted Sin
 Susan Zibricky
 Henry F. Wong
 Joseph Caruso
 MAD & Rose Marie Donato
 David Leung
 Luz Whitehead
 Phyllis Centofanti

Brian Cook
 ☐☐ Hu Bin

Sun., Sep 15

10:30 AM

(St. Therese)

Mass + Service (Church Maintenance)

Freshen up the church by painting & various maintenance! Beginners welcome!

Sat., Oct 12

5:00 PM

(St. Barbara)

Mass + Youth Ministry Meeting

Help mentor and lead the future Young Adults of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta!

Sun., Nov 10

10:30 AM

(St. Therese)

Young Adult Mass + Refreshments

For those looking for modern music and relevant homilies!



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Sign up at the church entrance or at:

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RELIGION IN CHINA TODAY

Back to the Center of State and Society

For almost a century, Chinese leaders have pursued an agenda of top-down secularization, with most religions heavily persecuted or banned. However, religion is now back at the center of Chinese society and politics—the country awash with new temples, churches, and mosques, as well as cults, sects, and politicians trying to harness religion for their own ends.

Pulitzer-Prize winning journalist on China, Ian Johnson, will paint the backdrop of Chinese religious policy against which such seemingly contradictory developments as the accord with the Vatican, the breathtaking restoration of Beijing’s North Cathedral, the demolition of countless other churches, and the forced reeducation of Muslims in Xinjiang all play out.



Ian Johnson,
Pulitzer Prize Winning Journalist

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2019
6:30 PM

Loyola University Chicago
Water Tower Campus

The evening will end with an opportunity for questions and discussion.

For more information, please visit:
uscatholicchina.org/JohnsonOnChinaFaith

Admission is complimentary, but please **place your name on the event list** for parking, transit, and venue details, and so we know how many to expect.

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