

# Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 2020

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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.

# Mass Intentions

*August 23, 2020 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:00 A.M.** + Phyllis Centofanti by Jade Yee  
+ Kent Moy by Margaret Moy & Teresa Lee  
+ Jimmy Annoreno by Family
- 10:30 A.M.** Thanksgiving by Richard & Lily May  
Health & Healing for Lucy Wong by Lily May  
Health & Healing for Ling Chan by Lily May  
Health & Healing for Delfin Masangcay by Family  
+ Michael Schiml by Mona & Jim Difazio  
+ Rita Lambie by Sr. Caritas  
+ Diane Marie Chan by Darlene Chan-Lowe  
+ Jorge, Virginia, George, Charles Lo, Fillis, Bill, Joe, Albert Wong by Agnes & Family  
+ All Deceased Members of the Cacciatore & Saracco Families by Family

**12:30 P.M. Mandarin Mass**

**MON. Aug. 24th** *Saint Bartholomew, Apostle \*(Mass at St. Therese Church)*

**8:00 A.M.** Birthday Blessings for Richard T. May by Mom & Dad

**TUE. Aug. 25th** *Saint Louis Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest  
\*(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)*

**8:00 A.M.** + Pasquale Salerno by Family

**WED. Aug. 26th** *Weekday \*(Mass at St. Therese Church)*

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

**THU. Aug. 27th** *Saint Monica \*(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)*

**8:00 A.M.** + Diane Marie Chan by Darlene Chan-Lowe

**FRI. Aug. 28th** *Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
\*(Mass at St. Therese Church)*

**8:00 A.M.** +

**SAT. Aug. 29th** *The Passion of Saint John the Baptist*

**8:00 A.M.** *\*(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)*

**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.

### Congratulations and Thanks

Congratulations to **Wendy Flores** who celebrated her Quince Anos 15<sup>th</sup> birthday at St. Therese Church last Saturday. May she continue to grow in maturity with her faith and relationships.

Congratulations to the St. Rocco Society who celebrated their centennial at St. Therese Church this past Sunday. It was a beautiful celebration honoring St. Rocco. Thanks to the organizers and all who attended this momentous occasion.

Our parish starts a **"Carry on the Mission"** appeal this week. You should have received a letter in the mail by now, if not, watch out for the letter. Thanks to all who helped with this mailing: Elizabeth and Sam Andriacchi, Chloe Chen, Jing Zhang, Darlene Chan, Gertrude Chan, Linda Leong, Marilyn Leung, Nicole Yong, Delores Becatti and all Finance Council members. Thank YOU for your generosity in advance.



### Devotion to St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

We had a wonderful weekend with our annual St. Rocco feast. In the next four weekends, we will be celebrating Confirmation, First Communion, and the Feasts of St. Mother Teresa and of Santa Maria Inconronata.

Though small in size and dealing with a global pandemic, our parish has a lot of hopeful and life-giving celebrations. In the last few weeks, you have had the chance to receive a faith story every week and this week's is about our devotion to St. Mother Teresa, our parish's patroness.

It is hard to believe that it was just one year ago when Bishop John Manz and the Missionaries of Charity helped us inaugurate our new parish. What a joy! This year we will start a Novena to St. Mother Teresa on Thursday, Aug. 27th during our daily mass. *On the Feast Day, Saturday, Sept. 5th, we will have an 8am mass at St. Barbara Church and 5pm mass with Bishop Robert Casey at St. Therese Church.* We have started to plan for the celebration. Of course, we want your involvement and participation. So if your family can help us out with the celebration, please fill this survey out by Wednesday, August 26 or contact Tom directly at [Thoward@sttheresechicago.org](mailto:Thoward@sttheresechicago.org).

Due to Covid-19, space in Church will be limited, but the mass will be live-streamed at our parish's YouTube channel.



The world-wide devotion to St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta simply amazes me. For instance, just a couple of weeks ago, a strong Catholic, Hispanic woman named **Amavelia Garcia** agreed to make these beautiful face masks for our celebration.

St. Mother Teresa cared for society's most vulnerable. She founded many hospitals, all over the world. In this spirit, I encourage all of you to wear a mask, which is an effective way for us to protect each other and to show our care for each other now.

If you are interested in one of these custom-made masks, they will be available at the feast day mass for a free-will donation. All proceeds will go to support the missions of the Missionaries of the Charity.



*Peace ~ Fr. Francis*

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## Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish Communication News



### **SMTCP Facebook:**

Please "like" <https://www.facebook.com/StMotherTeresaParish/> to receive the latest news about the parish.

### **SMTCP New Email System:**

Please take a moment to sign up

<https://stmotherteresaparish.activehosted.com/f/1> to receive weekly bulletins and news from the parish.

### **SMTCP New Bulletin Design:**

We are working to unify our parish bulletins. If you would like to share your designing talent, please let Fr. Francis know.

### **SMTCP New Website:**

We have been working on a unified website. Thanks to all who have helped so far. We need volunteers to assist with the content and translation (from English to Chinese). If you would like to be part of this ministry, please let Fr. Francis know.

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## **Our Parish's Live-Streamed 10:30am Sunday Mass:**

Catholics are still absolved from Sunday obligations. Those who can't yet participate in person can still join us online; our 10:30am Sunday mass is live-streamed via Facebook and YouTube ([https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzAqZ6h3s85o\\_fB3QSYO2VQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzAqZ6h3s85o_fB3QSYO2VQ))

Remember to "like" our new SMTC Facebook page to receive the latest news about the parish:

<https://www.facebook.com/StMotherTeresaParish/>



## St. Therese Chinese Catholic School starting a new school year on Monday, August 24, 2020

We are so excited to welcome all of our students back for the 20-21 school year. Whether the student is an in-person or remote learner, St. Therese School is committed to continuing our rigorous award-winning curriculum. Our teachers and staff

members are busy getting our campuses ready to safely welcome back our students.

In-person learning (5 days per week) starts on Monday, August 24. Our classrooms have been reconfigured to ensure students are safely socially distanced throughout the school day. Our school is cleaned and disinfected throughout the day as well as other health safety practices per CDC recommendations and other health authorities. Students enter and leave school by homeroom or cohort group using a staggered schedule. Doing so reduces the chances and limits the time students would be physically near other students or staff who are not part of their homeroom or cohort group. Students remain in their homerooms to reduce the number of people who are physically near students throughout the day. For example, teachers who are not homeroom teachers will teach students in their homeroom/cohort. These and other procedures protect students and staff by minimizing any potential health risks.

Remote learning starts on Tuesday, September 8 and is led by our St. Therese teachers and follows our curriculum. K-8 students enrolled in our remote learning option have a wealth of educational resources, including a school-issued electronic device. Students are provided with recorded lessons and educational materials that follow our rigorous award winning curriculum. These resources can be quite valuable because students can replay recorded lessons to catch things they might have missed earlier. Students also interact with teachers, staff, and other students in a live format so student's individual needs can be better met. Our remote learning option provides great opportunities for students to learn and is an excellent choice for many families.

St. Therese Chinese Catholic School is still registering students in all grades for the 20-21 school year. We are offering five days of in-person learning or remote learning. For more information or to schedule a school tour, please email:

[admissions@sttheresechicago.org](mailto:admissions@sttheresechicago.org).

Please pray for the following students as they prepare to receive their

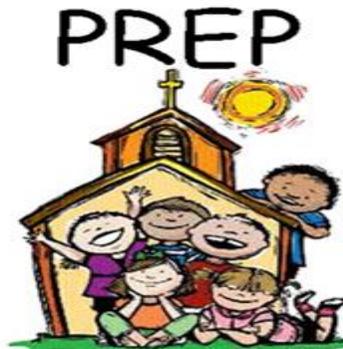


Saturday, August 29, 2020

Michael Casey	Miranda Medellin
Sergio Cerritos	Briana Monreal
Aleksander Chavez	Patrick Mulhearn
Ryan Delfin	Javier Ortega
Anthony Dominguez	Sergio Reyes
Rossella Folino	Carys Rodriguez
Luca Gonzalez	Yssa Villagrana
Anthony Guzman	Olivia Walczak
Autumn Lopez	Carter Walker

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## St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish



### Parish Religious Education Program

Religious education for children from 1st to 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

PREP will begin with Family Orientation at 2 p.m. on  
**Sunday, October 4, 2020** via Zoom

For more information contact:

- Chris Delfin at [ChrisDelfin@gmail.com](mailto:ChrisDelfin@gmail.com)
  - Parish Office at 312-842-6777
- Deadline for enrollment is Monday, September 14, 2020.
- Enroll online at  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dGw85fL8i9TVexmpj3XvxrruSPUtgSIQd4sefAMPIFM/edit?usp=sharing>

## RESPECT LIFE CORNER

**Discrimination** – Discrimination can happen inside a family, in an organization, and in the same race. Stories about how a certain kid is better treated by other family members, or how one in-law hates another are common. Discriminatory remarks like “No Dog No Irish” were heard in this nation before; and the “No Dog No Chinese” words were ringing loud in parts of different continents a century ago. Back in the 1950’s, you might still hear a few Italians whispering to each other, “If you are not German, you won’t be a manager in this company”. The causes of discriminations among people are many. Typically, fears: fear of the unknown, fear of losing existing protection, fear of depletion of common resources or benefits reduction. Another one: a lack of the energy to confront the new reality and unwilling to adjust own comfort zone to accommodate the new faces and new relationships. Sometimes, it is simply a generalized revenging hatred due to some previous unfortunate individual or group experiences. Often, because of misunderstanding or lacking the courage to confront their origins, misconceptions about a person or group of people are formed and even passed on from one person to another or from one group to another group, with no one being able to seriously question it in the process. This is a huge human flaw which can eventually fracture an institution or a society. Some modern governments do manage to avoid the occurrences of discriminations in their countries while others don’t. For example, in South Asia, Singapore builds the financially strongest nation where Chinese, Malays, and Asian Indians live harmoniously together. In Thailand, many Chinese descendants are seen as their strong businessmen and political leaders. However, Malaysia still discriminates against their Chinese descendent citizens in their constitution. In our nation, after the civil war and the civil right movements, we have basically ridged off the structural racial discrimination, and are daily working on perfecting our laws to better all residents no matter their origin. We shouldn’t downgrade people of any sort or profession. Say, if we find bad apples among the policemen, after their removal, we work on the legislature and re-appropriate funds to improve the training and performance of the rest. We don’t just protest, as it is to point out a problem, not a solution, and it can be hijacked to further others’ political agenda. As Catholics, we’ll live out our Lord’s teachings; nonjudgmental, be the light and the salt, and treat our fellow humans with deep respect and love.

**Quote** – “God’s love—individual, real, unchanging—is the true source of our worth, identity, and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather whose we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives.” — USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “*How to Build a Culture of Life.*”

**Our Prayer** – For the Church: That she may steadfastly proclaim and uphold the dignity of all human life, in all stages and circumstances; *We pray to the Lord:*

### Weekly Offering

#### Collection for August 16, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	\$2,120	
GiveCentral	660	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$ 16,702
Sunday Loose	62	July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$15,400
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Total Collection	\$ 2,842	

Weekly Budget: \$2,200 % of Budget Attained: 108%

Please consider giving one hour of **your weekly salary as your contribution.**  
***May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU!***



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

Cita Orendain  
Lois Payton  
Shiu Wah Leung  
Lan Ying Yee  
Amelia Lorraine Schroeder  
Karl Schroeder  
Phil Maraldi  
Nicholas Tobar  
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Luz Whitehead  
James Longo III  
Rose Perez  
June Moy  
Lucy Wong

### Continuous Growth by Sr. Caritas

As I reflect on my enthusiasm for the Chicago Cubs, I realize as I have often said, "It's a family affair." My mother's father, my Grandfather was a Cubs fan. They lived in Wisconsin and he listened on the radio. My Mom was close to her father and became a fan. As I grew up, my father, who was a Cubs fan, took me when he and my Mom went to the game. We always listened on the radio. When we were older, my brother Ron and I went to games when they had free Ladies' Day games. I got in free and he only paid half price. We would get player autographs, try to talk to players, watch batting practice, and watch the whole game and then we would walk home, sad if they lost, but happy to be at a game. When I entered in Milwaukee, people said I would be a Brave fan as they were playing in Milwaukee. I assured them I would be brave but a Cubs fan. I was a Cubs fan no matter what. By the way, my grandmother was a White Sox fan. Some in my family justify their loyalty to the Sox with this fact.

In the Gospel, Jesus asks a simple question, "Who do people say that I am?" The disciples give Jesus answers. Jesus then asks them, "Who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter responds, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus tells Peter two important things. First, Jesus' heavenly Father has revealed this to him and secondly, Jesus tells him he will be the rock upon which the Church will be built and he will have the keys to heaven and the power to bind and loose. Peter deeply believes this revelation. He spends his life telling that truth to others and so completely believes this that he gives his life for the kingdom.

As we grow and develop as a human being, we go from believing because our parents or someone we admire believes to searching and questioning what we have been told. Then, with the grace of God, we come to choose and embrace the truth for ourselves as Peter did. This is the faith journey. We make the faith choice ourselves and with deepening faith in God we take steps to truly and deeply believe. WE embrace the truth, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Where are you in this journey? Pray for that deep faith that embraces this belief always and forever even to the point of death.



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## News and Events

### Weekly Parish Rosary on Zoom:

You are invited to join our weekly



**Mandarin Rosary on Tuesdays** at 2:30pm, **English Rosary on Wednesdays** at 3:00p m and **5:30am Every Sunday Rosary Prayer at St. Barbara Church.** If

you are able to join, please contact Jing Zhang at [jzsttherese@gmail.com](mailto:jzsttherese@gmail.com) for details.

### **Celebrating the Feast of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta**

Novena begins on Thursday, Aug. 27th during our daily mass and you are invited to pray privately if you cannot attend the daily mass. On the feast day, Sat. Sept. 5th, we will have an 8am mass at St. Barbara and 5pm mass with Bishop Robert Casey at St. Therese Church in honor of our parish's beloved patroness.

### **The Annual Feast of SMI in honor of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

will take place on Sunday, Sept. 13th at 12 noon at St. Therese this year. Due to limited space, this mass will be live-streamed at our parish's Youtube channel.



### **Please Pray for the following**

**Mercy Hospital patients:** Jonathan, Ruby, Tiffany, Daniel, Thomas, Betty, Katherine, Virginia, Ida, Bernard, Bobbie, Lavonne, Ruth Anne, Daniel, Mary, William, Tony, Ronald, Lloyd, Heather's Dad, Albert, Lois, Caroline, Julian, Robert

### **REMINDER:**

If you are considered as "vulnerable population;" or if you are having pre-existing health conditions; or if you are experiencing any health issues, out of super abundant caution and pure love for yourself and others, we strongly encourage you not to join our mass in-person for now and we kindly invite you to join our online masses.

### **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 2nd Saturday at 4pm; and 4th Sunday of the month at 12:30PM

#### **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:**

2nd Sunday of each month at St. Barbara Chapel at 11:00am

#### **Mandarin Mass 國語:**

2nd Saturday of each month at 4pm  
4th Sunday of each month at 12:30pm

每月第二周六下午四点和第四 主日中午十二点半

##### **Weekdays:**

8:00AM Mass: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays