Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 6, 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

September 6, 2020 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. + +	Sau Fan Yuan by Margaret & Teresa Kent Moy by Margaret Moy & Teresa Lee
+ +	Phyllis Centofanti by Nora Anthony Scuito by Nora
10:30 A.M.	Blessing for Regina & Roque's 39th Anniversary by Daughters & Granddaughters
+	Joanna Wai Nin Law Wan by Law Family
+	Maria Wang by LiZhong Wang
+	Jorge, Virginia, George, Charles Lo, Fillis, Bill, Joe, Albert Wong by Agnes & Family
+	Elaine Louie by Richard & Lily May
MON. Sept. 7th	Weekday *(Mass at St. Therese Church)
8:00 A.M. +	Deceased Members of the Barbaro Family
TUE. Sept. 8th The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary *(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)	
8:00 A.M.	
WED. Sept. 9th	Saint Peter Claver, Priest *(Mass at St. Therese Church)
8:00 A.M. +	Margie & son Martin Balzano by Lucille Salerno
+	Ida Strazzante by SMI Club
+	Dera Caldario, Birthday Remembrance by Marion Roti
THU. Sept. 10th	Weekday *(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)
8:00 A.M.	
FRI. Sept. 11th	Weekday *(Mass at St. Therese Church)
8:00 A.M.	
SAT. Sept. 12th	The Most Holy Name of Mary, BVM
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 our First Communicants, who celebrated their First Holy Communion last Saturday at St. Therese Church:

Michael Casey Sergio Cerritos Aleksander Chavez Ryan Delfin Anthony Dominguez Rossella Folino

the gift of the precious Eucharist.

Anthony Guzman Autumn Lopez Miranda Medellin Briana Monreal Patrick Mulhearn Javier Ortega Sergio Reyes Carys Rodriguez Yssa Villagrana Olivia Walczak Carter Walker



We thank their parents, families, teachers, and catechists for accompanying them and preparing them so well for this special celebration.

Thanks to **Tony Lin** and his friends for spending hours to voluntarily clean and rearrange all the boxes neatly for the choir loft at St. Therese Worship Site.

Thanks to Chris Lowe for donating three boxes of face masks to our parish.

St. Mother Teresa and Eucharist

This weekend we celebrate the feast of St. Mother Teresa (Sept. 5th), patroness of our unified parish. It calls us to take some time to celebrate and to reflect on the work of Renew My Church and of the mission of our parish and of the inspiring life of St. Mother Teresa. Just a little over a year ago, our parish was blessed to be named, "St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta." St. Mother Teresa (1910-1997) dedicated her entire life to serve the poorest of the poor. Her unconditional love for Jesus and all of God's people continue to inspire countless people to serve, to give and to love. As Catholics and as a faith community, what an awesome example we have in St. Mother Teresa!

The secret for St. Mother Teresa's dedicated life is her love for the Eucharist. In a letter written by Mother Teresa in 1947 to Archbishop Perier of Calcutta, she writes:

From the age of 5-1/2 years, -when first I received Him [Jesus] – the love for souls has been within – It grew with the years – until I came to India – with the hope of saving many souls" (Mother Teresa: *Come Be My Light*, Doubleday, page 15).

Gina Loeher describes St. Mother Teresa's profound Eucharistic faith as follows:

Mother Teresa believes that the union the sisters experience with Jesus in Holy Communion is inseparable from their lives. He himself renews and refreshes them every morning at Mass. 'Our life is linked to the Eucharist,' [Mother Teresa] would say. She also stated simply that without beginning each day with Jesus in Communion, 'we could do nothing.' (*The Four Teresas*, page 91).

When it comes to adoration of the Eucharist, St. Mother Teresa says:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. It will make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven. A Holy Hour of adoration helps bring everlasting peace to your soul and in your family. It brings us personal peace and strength. It brings us a greater love for Jesus, for each other, and for the poor. Every holy hour deepens our union with Him and bears much fruit.

It is clear that Eucharist was the indispensable source of strength and nourishment for St. Mother Teresa. We know that this is true for all Catholics that Eucharist is "the source and summit of our faith." So let's appreciate the gift of the Eucharist; let's ask for St. Mother Teresa's intercessions for the renewal of our faith; and let's pray for God's grace to empower us to imitate the holy life of St. Mother Teresa.

Peace ~ Fr. Francis

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

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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.

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/UCzAgZ6h3s85o fB3QSYO2VQ

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Programs

Are YOU interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith?

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OR have you been baptized into the Catholic Church but have not received Confirmation and First Communion, and would now like to complete your initiation?

If you've answered "YES" to any of these questions, please consider joining the

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA in English, Cantonese & Mandarin) at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church of St. Mother Teresa Parish

English and Cantonese Classes
will start on October 11th and
Mandarin Class will start on
October 25th!

Interested candidates: Please fill out this flyer and return it to an usher or contact the parish offices at 312-842-6777 or 312-842-7979

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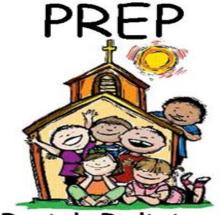
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Prayer in action is love; love in action is service. —-St. Mother Teresa

Happy Labor Day Weekend to all!

Prayers for all laborers and especially for all unemployed now! May our work continue to bring glory to our God.

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish



Parish Religious Education Program

Religious education for children from 1st to 8th grade.

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

For more information contact:

- Chris Delfin at 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/1dGw85fL8i9TVexmp j3XvxrruSPUtgSlQd4sefAMPlFM/edit?usp=sharing

Weekly Offering Collection for August 30, 2020					
Sunday Envelopes GiveCentral Sunday Loose		861 470 <u>941</u>	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$20,536 July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$19,800		
Total Collection	\$ 2,	272			
Weekly Budget:	\$2,200		% of Budget Attained: 103%		
Please consider giving one hour of your weekly salary as your contribution.					



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

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Love One Another by Sr. Caritas

Some families have difficulties. Auntie will not talk to another aunt or uncle. Something happened many years ago. Other family members have to "tip toe" around the problem family relationship. Sometimes these things go on one generation after another. After a while, people do not remember why "We don't talk to Aunt Suzie." Where love is supposed to be, people are treated as the Jewish people treated the Gentiles. They did not relate to each other.

The readings in the liturgy today, give us blueprints or outlines useable in relationships or families. The first reading tells us how to act if our "brother", or any person wrongs us. Go to the person and tell them. If going alone and talking does not work, take two or three others with you and tell the person again with witnesses. If the person does not listen or is willing to change, then go to the church. If they will not listen to even the church, "then treat that person as a Gentile or tax. Collector". If the person who wronged you or does not keep the commandments, does not change even after your warning, God will see them as guilty. If you do not correct them because of their behavior and choices, God will see you as guilty. St Paul tells us to "owe no one except to love one another". Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in prayer and ask anything, in my name, I am there in the midst of them". St. Paul says, "Love is the fulfillment of the laws."

How will you live out these teachings? Today, we see violence, shooting and other things directed at others. We want peace and health and betterment of our lives. We pray for an end to the virus. We try at this time to pray for justice toward each other. We pray out of love for those who have lost their jobs, those who are in danger of a loss of their homes. We pray for those first responders and teachers on the front line of healing and preventing the spread of the virus. Two or three of all of us "gather together and ask the Father in Jesus name. We ask out of love for others, those of our family, friends, faith community in the name of Jesus. We ask The Father. All of us gathered in the name of Jesus, know Jesus is in our midst.

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Mandarin Rosary on Tuesdays at St. Barbara Church: 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 izsttherese@gmail.com for details.

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.

SAVE THE DATE

What? Online Alpha

When? Sept. 22nd, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Anyone who has a heart for Jesus Who? How?

Email thowward@sttheresechicago.org to enroll.



Please Pray for the following **Mercy Hospital patients:**

Irma, Vincent, Julie, Helena, Lindsay, Sharon, Sheila, Carolyn, Jim, Shirley, Timothy, Karl, Ruth, Sarah, Angeline,

Joseph, Yolanda

PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Elaine Louie, her prayer service was at our church this past Saturday. May she rest in heavenly peace.

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 ioin our online masses.

MASS SCHEDULE

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 粤語:

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