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**Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.
— Psalm 85:12**



HOLY COMMUNION

If you find it difficult to walk to the front of the Church to receive Holy Communion, please notify one of the ushers before Mass that you would like Communion to be brought to you.

**ST. THERESE SCHOOL STUDENT
REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021**

St. Therese School, two-time National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence winner, is accepting student registrations for the 2020-2021 school year. We continue to anticipate reopening our school doors for in-person classroom teaching this fall. St. Therese School has an advanced core curriculum, innovative classroom technology, one-to-one student devices, along with Mandarin and Spanish instruction for all students from PK3 to Grade 8. For more information, contact us by phone (312-326-2837), email (admissions@sttheresechicago.org), or visit our website (<http://sttheresechicago.org>).



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PARISH COMMUNICATION NEWS

SMTCP Facebook:

If you haven't done so already, please "like" <https://www.facebook.com/StMotherTeresaParish/> to receive the latest news about the parish.

SMTCP New Email System:

If you haven't done so already, please take a moment to sign up at <https://stmotherteresaparish.activehosted.com/f/1> to receive the weekly bulletin 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.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS

Thanks to our liturgical ministers. Since our churches reopened at the end of June, many of them have been so helpful to be part of our liturgical celebrations. While some have decided not to return to in-person mass yet out of abundance of caution, others have offered to assist as many times as needed. Their commitment and participation is greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to our RCIA friends! Seven of them celebrated their Sacraments of Initiation; one of them was received into full communion with the catholic faith; and one had Confirmation and First Communion on Sat. Aug. 1st. After weeks of prolonged studies and waiting, they were joyfully welcomed into our Church. We rejoice with them; we welcome them and assure them of our continuous prayers: YoYo Edith Wu, Fiona Alice Duan, Wen Kai Joseph Lu, Wen Hua John Lu, Juan Francis Jimenez, Chon Heong Maria Ng, Traji Francis Morris, JaDonna Bernadette Kendricks, and Shannon Kelly Genevieve Doran.

Congratulations to the class of 2020. They had their Baccalaureate Mass last Sunday at St. Barbara Church and will have their graduation this Sunday. We thank God for their achievements and pray that they will continue to succeed in their respective high schools.

Congratulations to Lucas Leobardo Chavez, child of Rudy Chavez Jr. and Diana Gaona! Lucas was baptized last Sunday at St. Barbara Church.



Peace

Fr. Francis

GOD'S PRESENCE By Sister Caritas

One of the basic things we know is that each of us is made in the image and likeness of God. Every time I hold a young baby — when I see the baby's tiny fingers and nose and lips so perfectly formed — for me, holding a newborn child is a time of being very close to God. In creating each of us, God has given us a deep longing, a sense of God. We long to be close to God.

In the first reading today, Elijah goes to God's special mountain, Horeb. He found a cave for shelter. God came to Elijah and told him to stand at the entrance of the cave. God would pass by. As Elijah stood there, a strong wind came "but God was not in the wind". An earthquake came and later fire, but "God was not in the earthquake or the fire". Lastly, there was a "tiny whispering sound" and Elijah covered his face with his cloak as he recognized God's coming.

In the last part of today's Gospel, we see the disciples in the boat in a storm and Jesus came walking on the water toward them. The disciples realized that Peter was no different. Peter wanted to walk on the water when Jesus was walking toward them. Peter, at Jesus' response, began walking on water too and then became fearful, crying out to be saved. Jesus saves him. Peter and Jesus get into the boat and the disciples respond in faith, "beyond doubt, you're the Son of God".

It takes faith to recognize the presence of God. In faith, the disciples recognized Jesus as the Son of God. Elijah recognized God in the tiny sound. What are the ways you recognize God in your life? Where are the visitations and times which deepen your faith and help you believe? When you recognize God, does your fear go away? When you recognize God, does your faith deepen? How do you feel and what are you willing to do when you recognize God and God's presence in your life?



2020 Commencement Ceremony

Commencement Ceremony will be at 11:00 am at St. Barbara Church on Sunday, August 9.

Please note: the above event is by invitation only, not open to the public. Please keep our 2020 graduates in your prayers.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Saturday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Because it falls on a Saturday this year, it is not considered a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a Vigil Mass at St. Therese on Friday, August 14th at 7:00 pm. Mass at St. Barbara will be celebrated in church on Saturday, August 15th at 8:00 am.

8th Grade Confirmation

Our Confirmation mass is rescheduled to Saturday, August 22nd at the 5:00 pm mass at St. Barbara Church. Please keep our confirmandi in your prayers.

First Communion

Our First Communion is rescheduled to Saturday, August 29th at 5:00 pm at St. Therese Church. Attendance is by invitation only. Please keep our communicants in your prayers.

St. Rocco Feast

Our annual St. Rocco Feast Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, August 16th at 10:30 am at St. Therese Church. On that Sunday, our regular 8:00 am mass and 10:30 am mass will be combined to a 9:00 am mass. Novena Prayer to St. Rocco will take place on Saturday, August 15th at 7:30 pm. Attendance to St. Rocco Feast is by reservation only. For details and other festivities, please contact the St. Rocco Society.

RENEW MY CHURCH UPDATE

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We would like to give you a quick update on the RMC status in our Parish. We just finished a fiscal year which was the first year of the unified parish operating under the supervision of RMC. At the end of this fiscal year, RMC began transmitting the parish supervision to regular Archdiocese offices and ministries. This process will take longer than expected due to the COVID-19 situation but does not affect daily parish operations.

The only area where we are not transitioning out of RMC supervision is our building/property situation. As you all know, our parish has many buildings in different technical conditions and degrees of use. The most urgent and important problem is that the majority of these buildings have utility systems (heating, water, sewer) long past their expected service life and are in need of replacement. The age of these systems makes the monthly operation cost very high. The majority of the buildings also require major renovations and improvements both interior and exterior.

The Parish has been working intensively with RMC to create a plan for parish buildings and their use. Due to the parish's financial situation, there is no simple solution to renovate these buildings. We think that now we must work on a Master Plan for our parish and each campus. The Master Plan will result in a concept of which buildings and spaces are needed to fulfill the parish mission and provide quality and efficient space for all parish ministries (including school). The Master Plan will include a study of existing and planned parish ministries and services, their possible development, and each building's situation including: their condition, degree of space use, and repair cost vs. new construction. Right now, we are looking for an architect firm to prepare this Master Plan for us. We are working closely with and under the supervision of RMC on this because RMC has experience in this area and ultimately acts in the name of the property owner which is the Archbishop of Chicago.

We hope that the Master Plan will help us make the best decision regarding our building situations. Until today, it was not possible to develop a single and coherent concept for the future of the buildings. Everyone agrees that we cannot continue in the current situation for a long time due to the buildings' conditions and extremely high utility and upkeep costs. Therefore, it is necessary to conduct an in-depth and professional analysis of our needs in order to make the best decision for the future. Again, no final decision regarding any of our buildings has been made until today. We are performing only necessary maintenance and repairs.

We will keep you informed on the progress of the study and, at the proper time, include your involvement in the discussions about our Master Plan.

Piotr Wojtasik
Operations Director

Our Parish's Live-Streamed 10:30 am Sunday Mass: Catholics are still absolved from Sunday obligations. Those who can't yet participate in person can still join us online; our 10:30 am Sunday mass is live-streamed via Facebook and Youtube (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzAgZ6h3s85o_fB3QSYO2VQ)

Remember to "like" our new SMTA Facebook page to receive the latest news about the parish: <https://www.facebook.com/StMotherTeresaParish/>

Reminder: If you are considered as part of the "vulnerable population;" if you have 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 Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 8 - Vigil of The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. + Virginia Pienta (Allen Nowak)
+ David Brost (Cliff and Arlene Whitehouse)
+ Dominic Barbaro (Dominic Barbaro Family)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

Sunday, August 9 - The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 a.m. + Thomas Potthoff (St. Barbara Thursday Night Bingo)
83rd Birthday Blessings: William Webb
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m. + Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)
+ Eugene Stanley Kasprowicz (Henry Diaz DeLeon)
+ Edward J. Schmit, Jr. (Cathy and Phil Whitehouse)
+ Fred Stronczek (Wife, Rose)
11:00 a.m. St. Therese School Commencement Ceremony at St. Barbara Church (Invitation Only)

Monday, August 10 - St. Lawrence

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

Tuesday, August 11 - St. Clare

8:00 a.m. + Birth. Rem.: Bernice Korso (M. Korso)
+ Charles Palumbo (Wife, Rosetta Palumbo)

Wednesday, August 12 - Weekday; St. Jane Frances de Chantal

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

Thursday, August 13 - Weekday; Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus

8:00 a.m. + Robert Baker

Friday, August 14 - St. Maximilian Kolbe

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church
7:00 p.m. Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Mass at St. Therese

Saturday, August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Remembrance
In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of the Assumption (Maria Saludo)
+ All Forgotten Souls in Purgatory (Dominic Barbaro Family)

Saturday, August 15 - Vigil of The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. + Ed Lenicky (Dee)
+ Carmie Bertucci (Dee)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

Sunday, August 16 - The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving for the 100th Anniversary of the Society of San Rocco di Simbario (+ Antonette & Anthony "Marconi" Bertucci, + Frank "Kush" Bertucci, + Rose Sinopole, + Mary Tadin, + Theresa Ropke, (see next column)

Collection - Week of August 1st - 2nd

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 478.25
Sunday Loose	238.00
Piano & Organ Maintenance	\$ 147.00
Total Collection	\$ 863.25



The Lighting Sponsor for the week:

1st Anniversary Memorial: Cecile Krok
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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH

8:00 a.m. - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Eucharistic Minister: J. Lukwinski
Lector: B. Hudren

5:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: J. Lukwinski
Lector: B. Curry

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

6:00 a.m.

Altar Server: G. Vanderford
Eucharistic Minister: G. Vanderford
Lector: J. Bertucci

9:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: H. Alonso
Lector: L. Szczepanski

Sunday, August 16 - The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 a.m. + Charles "Chappy" Bertucci, + Catherine "Bobbie" Mitchell, + Anthony "Minnie" Bertucci, + Anne Freeman, + Dominic "Mick-Bert" Bertucci, + James "JJ" Bertucci, + Helen Pelnarsh, + Antonette "Cutie" Galati, + 4 "Baby" Bertucci Brothers)
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving to Señor San Roque (Ichon Fiesta Sr. San Roque Devotees)
+ Tom Potthoff (B. Glabicki)
+ Birth. Rem.: Wally Furmanek (Sonny)
+ Virginia Pienta (Patricia & Bernard Sandacz)
+ Birth. Rem.: Leopoldo Roque Saludo [for 08/07] (Family)
Health Blessings: Edward Sraga (Sraga

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday:
8:00 am - 4:00 pm. At the present time, the office is closed
on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Baptisms: Parents must be registered practicing parishioners and attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled. Call the rectory office for further information.

Communion Calls: Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death.

Ministry of Care: Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass. Notify the Parish Office when this service is needed.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

Weddings: Weddings need to be scheduled at least six months in advance. Couples are reminded to secure the Church date before the reception hall.

Please pray for those homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers:
Amalia Agins, Austin Agins, Bernadette Agins, Joyce Agins, Stephen Agins, Mary Aguirre, Debbie Annerino, Walter Annerino, Amy Averet, Kimberly Babe, Geraldine Baldwin, Tony Baressi, Judith Beaudry, Christine Bertucci, Joseph 'Joey' Bertucci, Lonnie & Theresa Bertucci-Falls, Jennifer Bond, Fr. Michael Bowler, Jeff Bowman, Andrea Brongiel, Mary Camarda, Anthony Capone Sr., Adele Castro, Laverne Connolly, Tim Consola, Joe Cruz, Patti Cuchetto, Paul DeGrazia, Henry Diaz DeLeon, Jacqueline Dybas, Kathy Egle, Nenita Feliciano, Jerry Felske, Minnie Ford, Natalia Francone, Bill Frank, Darlene Frost, Harold Frost, Paul Gadomski, Ray Gadomski, Lily Ann Galloway, John Gasca, Cheryl Lynn Gilhooly, Bernadette Glabicki, Ed Glos, Pat Grieco, Koen Guest, Jose P. Gutierrez, Kellar Harris, Lynette Heidemann, Jasmine Henson, Denise Holland, Gwen Holub, Morris Humphrey, Michaeline Hunter, Ted Hunter, Suzanne Ivester, Jennifer Janson, Chester Jendryczka, Dr. Joe, John Kaput, Dorothy Kawalerski, Rose Kisielowski, Stanley Kiwala, Anna Kolendo, Janice Kutansky, Craig Labudda, Ken Labudda, Sunny Labudda, Baby Kinsley Paige Leschinsky, Kiera Litwin, Lenny Loretto, Richard Lyznicki, Nancy Mallory, John Mangan, Kayle Marth, Paul Martinez, Bill Marcuk, Zena Masi, Maria Mawgwi, Lil' Joe Michalak, Cindy Moore, Dr. Mike, Cydney Muti, Stephanie Nicks, Deacon Jack O'Leary, Theresa Oleszkiewicz, Allison Pakula, Virginia Pakula, Eva Castillion Parcon, Josie Petkus, Michael Petrucc, Dolores Pienta, Mitchell Pienta, Ellen Pietrzak, Beverly Pirelli, Ray Polakowski, Robert Potter, Barbara Rekar, Josephine Richardson, Sandra Rios, Joel Rivera, Jose Rodriguez, Jose C. Rodriguez, Mila Rolon, Dolly Roti, Ellen Ryan, Therese Ryndak, Maria Saludo, Edward John Schmit, Jr., Laverne Scianna, Kennedy Shepski, Adeline Skokal, Raymond Smolinski, Gary Solverson, Sharon Solverson, Rosalie Spalla, Diane Spata, Joanne Stewart, Lauren Stronczek, Rose Stronczek, Robert Synal, Baby Zachary Synal, Emily Rose Thomas, Norbert Trojanowski, Bill Ufferman, Dolores Ufferman, Dave Ulczycki, George Vanderford Sr., George Vanderford Jr., Juan Vargas, Joyce Vogt, Ava Walczak, Sadie Walker, Barbara Webb, Bill Webb, Sylvia Wiertel, Madison Young, Eugene & John Zabek, Virginia Zawacki, Irene Zima

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND LITURGIES

St. Barbara: Saturday: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 6:00am, 9:30am
St. Therese: Mandarin Mass on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 4:00 pm followed by Bible sharing and food.
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am; and Mandarin Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

St. Barbara: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday: 8:00 am
St. Therese: Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 am

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

St. Barbara: Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm; Holy Day Masses: 6:00 am, 8:00 am

St. Therese: 8:00 am, 7:00 pm

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR: St. Therese - 7:00 pm

FIRST SATURDAY HEALING MASS: St. Barbara Chapel - 8:00 am

CONFESION

St. Barbara: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 pm or by appointment
St. Therese: By appointment

THE ROSARY

St. Barbara: The Rosary is prayed on Sunday at 5:30 a.m. before 6:00 am Mass.



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