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2020/21 SCHOOL YEAR

## WE ARE CALLED...

The theme for our school year is *We Are Called*, which evokes the unique calling that God has for each of us. We all have a vocation, a specific calling to holiness. God's callings can be found throughout Sacred Scripture, from the accounts of the prophets to the sending forth of the apostles at Pentecost. The Blessed Mother and other saints provide us with wonderful examples of how we should discern and accept God's call in our lives.

Please join with all parish and school communities in the Archdiocese of Chicago to pray for a safe, healthy and fruitful school year for all students, their families, principals, teachers and school and religious education staff. May we, together, discern God's call for us in each moment, each word, each action.

Let us pray ...

*We are called to be disciples* who teach our children, our students and one another with prayer, service and generosity.

*We are called to be stewards of wisdom* who model acts of kindness and words of hope in our homes, our places of work and in our classrooms.

*We are called to be advocates of radical hospitality*, inviting all people of good will into our parishes, our schools and into our hearts.

*We are called to be beacons of hope* for those in our parish and school communities who feel helpless, lost, and alone. May we provide comfort, guidance, and hope to everyone who may need support of any kind.

*We are called to be models of gratitude*. May the God who blesses us give us abundant rest for the heart, power for virtue, wisdom for life, and patience in trials.

*We are called to be inspirers of joy in renewal*. We pray that the God of renewal lead us forward in joy to enter into Christ's love in trust, openness, and faith.

*We are called to love, serve, and know God!*

Through the intercession of the Blessed Mother, may we have the docility to hear God's call and the humility to accept it as true grace.

Amen.



## St. Rocco Feast

This weekend, our annual St. Rocco Feast Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 am on Sunday at St. Therese Church. The regular 8:00 am mass and 10:30 am mass will be combined to a 9:00 am mass. Please remember that attendance to the St. Rocco Feast is by reservation only.

## Join us for an Open House!

Date: Tuesday, August 18th

Time: 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Location: St. Barbara Campus, 2859 South Throop  
Please email [admissions@sttheresechicago.org](mailto:admissions@sttheresechicago.org) to sign up.

A mask will be required for the open house.

Thank you! We look forward to meeting you!

## 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.

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

Novena begins on Thursday, August 27th during our daily mass and you are invited to pray privately if you can't attend the daily mass. On the feast day, Saturday, Sept. 5th, we will have an 8:00 am mass at St. Barbara and a 5:00 pm mass with Bishop Robert Casey at St. Therese Church in honor of our parish's beloved patroness.

## Annual Feast of Santa Maria Incoronata

The Annual Feast of SMI in honor of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary will take place on Sunday, September 13th at 12:00 noon at St. Therese this year. Due to limited space, the mass will be live-streamed at our parish's YouTube channel.

## 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.

## 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](mailto:admissions@sttheresechicago.org)), or visit our website (<http://sttheresechicago.org>).



## 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.



# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the class of 2020! We had a beautiful graduation ceremony with them and for them last Sunday. We are grateful to our graduates for their perseverance, resilience and achievements; and we wish them continued success in their respective high schools.



## IN HONOR OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Our Church dedicates this month of August to the honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Just like how we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus in June, which represents God's unconditional love for humankind, we honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary and ask for her intercessions for ourselves, our families, and our world. We do not worship Mary, but we have devotions to her because she is the mother of God, the mother of our Church and the mother of us all. Her yes to do God's will continues to challenge us to say yes to God in our lives. Her desire to bring people closer to Jesus is our mission now as God's missionary disciples.

This devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary reminds me of our long time parishioner, Dominic Barbaro, who passed away a few months ago. Dominic used to faithfully offer mass every first Friday of the month to honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus and every first Saturday of the month to honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary. What a wonderful example we have in Dominic. May he rest in peace.

The current troubles brought by the global pandemic and the lootings and violence in our city remind us that we need more than ever to implore Mary's intercessions for peace, justice and healing. So let's turn to Mary and entrust all of our needs for ourselves, our families, our Church and world to her motherly care and intercessions by praying a prayer of consecration to the Immaculate Heart:

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, and tender Mother of all people, I consecrate myself to your Immaculate Heart, and recommend to you my family, my country, and the whole human race. Please accept my consecration, dearest Mother, and use me as you wish, to accomplish your designs upon the world. O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Heaven and earth, rule over me, and teach me how to allow the Heart of Jesus to rule and triumph in me and around me, as it has ruled and triumphed in you. Amen.

Heart of Mary, pray for us....  
Heart of Mary, hope of the agonizing...  
Heart of Mary, seat of mercy...

Peace,

Fr. Francis

Please pray for the following students as they prepare to receive the sacrament of



Saturday, August 22, 2020

Ronald Cabrera	Brooke Mahneke
Cecilia Claudio	Victoria Medellin
Maylen Dunagan	Krystin Ruiz
Gabriella Godinez	Lucia Thomas
Isabela Gonzalez	Aly Torres

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

**FAITH TESTIMONY #5:  
TOW TRUCK TESTIMONY  
By Joe Delfin**

I was driving when I heard a sickening shriek of metal grinding, and my car suddenly dragged along the road as the noise grew louder. I felt nauseous as I drove with difficulty to a parking lot, where I inspected the car and noticed the smell of burnt rubber. Apparently, the rear wheel locked up and I was dragging the wheel along the road.

Yikes! Will I be able to find a tow truck this late in the afternoon? I made several phone calls, and a flatbed tow truck arrived half an hour later. The tow truck driver, "Alex", struggled to pull my car onto the flatbed on the hot day. We got into the tow truck cab, and I remembered to put on my facemask. Noticing what I did, he grudgingly put on his own face-mask. As he started to drive, he cursed often. "I can't stand these masks and this coronavirus!" He continued on a rant, complaining with "colorful" language, and blaming China and politicians for "messing all of this up." He was frustrated and angry, and revealed that his wife was struggling at the elementary school where she worked. I told him that I am a teacher, and that I sympathized with her concerns.

Alex asked, "What do you teach?" I replied, "Religion." Alex rolled his eyes, and began to spout off on how he believed the Church is full of pedophiles and terrible priests. I was worried that he was going to judge me and make the rest of the ride uncomfortable. I shrugged and responded, "Like any organization, neighborhood, or even family, there are some bad apples. I don't always agree with how the leaders handle the crises and problems either."

Alex asked, "Then why do you work with the Catholic Church?" I responded, "I don't want to debate about religion. But I believe that faith is a personal journey that needs others to help it develop. My faith journey certainly had its frustrations and challenges, but I think it's worth it. Everyone's journey is different, with varying shades of gray."

Funny. As we continued with the conversation, I noticed Alex's profanity disappeared and his angry stance softened. He mellowed out, and he told me how he was raised Catholic and went to a Catholic school. He got married at a church in Pilsen. He had his kids baptized. But he just let it all fade away. He hadn't stepped into a church for a long time because he found the Masses boring and couldn't find any reason to keep going. I responded, "I was just like you. I didn't like going to church. But some way and somehow, I found a great community with a very diverse and fascinating group of people, led by an amazing priest. I've been to many churches, but this parish called me home. It's not perfect, but despite any struggles I faced in my life, they all helped me find my faith and I find joy in it."

Alex said, "Maybe I will go when I am much older, but right now I don't know if it's for me. I'm just trying to live a good life." We finally arrived at the repair shop, and he unloaded my car. I let him know that our parish has two beautiful churches that he can always visit. He let me know that if I decide to junk my car, I should give him a call.

It was strange. I only wanted to get through any small talk in the tow truck and get to the repair shop quickly. But somehow, a man's rants on the coronavirus switched to one about personal faith journeys. I do not know if he will ever visit a Catholic church again. I realize that God gave me an unexpected opportunity to share my witness. Like the farmer in the parable, I am spreading out seeds aimlessly, and maybe some of those seeds will find fertile ground.

**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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzAgZ6h3s85o_fB3QSYO2VQ))

Remember to "like" our new SMTC 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 15 - Vigil of The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. + Ed Lenicky (Dee)  
 + Carmie Bertucci (Dee)  
 + Wu Shuet-Kin Lau and Michelle Mary Lau  
 (Perry and Rose)  
 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 "Kosh" Bertucci, + Rose Sinople,  
 + Mary Tadin, + Theresa Ropke, + 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)  
 + Anthony "Vic" Vicario (Son, Michael)  
 Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)

9:30 a.m. + Tom Potthoff (B. Glabicki)  
 + Birth. Rem.: Wally Furmanek (Sonny)  
 + Virginia Pienta (Patricia & Bernard Sandacz)  
 + Birth. Rem.: Leopoldo Roque Saludo [for 08/07] (Family)  
 + Teresita Villafuerte Holcomb (Angelica, Emmanuel and Jeremy King)  
 + Maria Lara (Marta Herrera)  
 In Thanksgiving to Señor San Roque (Ichon Fiesta Sr. San Roque Devotees)  
 Health Blessings: Edward Sraga (Sraga)

### Monday, August 17 - Weekday

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

### Tuesday, August 18 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Rev. John Zukowski (Barbara)

### Wednesday, August 19 - Weekday; St. John Eudes

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

### Thursday, August 20 - St. Bernard

8:00 a.m. + Rosemary Vitacco (Dominic Barbaro Family)  
 Health Blessings: Ro Spalla (Spalla Family)

### Friday, August 21 - St. Pius X

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

### Saturday, August 22 - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Father's Day Remembrance  
Saturday, August 22 - Vigil of The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Mass  
 50th Ann.: Robert & Adrienne Kowalsky (Family)  
 Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

### Collection - Week of August 8th-9th

Sunday Envelopes:	\$1,220.50
Sunday Loose	\$ 268.00
Utility Bill Fund	\$ 666.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$2,154.50</b>

### Give Central Collection for July, 2020

Sunday Collections	\$2,153.00
Second Collections	\$ 325.00

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND

#### 5:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: J. Lukwinski  
 Lector: School Confirmation

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD

#### 6:00 a.m.

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

#### 9:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: P. Rodriguez or J. Rodriguez  
 Lector: P. Saletta

**For those unable to attend Mass due to illness or for those who do not have access to the internet, please be sure to watch the Mass on television:**

#### During August

**Cardinal Cupich Mass from  
 Holy Name Cathedral  
 ABC-TV Channel 7 - Chicago  
 Sunday Mass: 9:30 am**

#### Year-Round

**Mercy Home - Sunday Mass at 9:30 am  
 WGN- TV Channel 9 - Chicago**

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

6:00 a.m. + Mary Tadin (Cliff & Arlene Whitehouse)  
 + Walter "Wally" Bielanski (Christine Bertucci)  
 Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)  
 9:30 a.m. + Ed Barton (B. Glabicki)  
 + Florence Brown (B. Glabicki)  
 + Steve Korski (B. Glabicki)  
 + 8th Ann.: Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)  
 + Ronald Weindorfer (Rosemary Bauer)  
 + Teresita Villafuerte Holcomb (Angelica, Emmanuel & Jeremy King)

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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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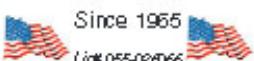
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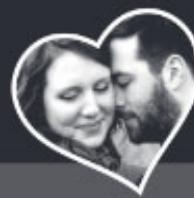
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