

July 4, 2021

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY

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God, source of all freedom, this day is bright with the memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being.

Help us to continue a good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong: that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth.

Turn our hearts toward the family of nations: to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship, and to find safety only in the common good of all.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Barbara Chapel
Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday: 8 a.m.
St. Barbara Church
Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 6 a.m./9:30 a.m.
Indonesian: 2nd Sunday: 11:30 a.m.
DEVOTIONS
First Saturday Healing Mass
St. Barbara Chapel: 8 a.m.
The Rosary
Sunday 5:30 a.m. before 6 a.m. Mass

St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 8 a.m. Sunday: 8 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Cantonese: 1st Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Mandarin: 2nd Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (TBA) 4th Sunday: 12:30 p.m.

DEVOTIONS Mondays with Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity: 4-5p.m. Rosary and 5-6 p.m. Holy Hour First Friday Holy Hour: 7 p.m.

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Barbara Worship Site

Saturday, July 3—Vigil |14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Divine Mercy for All by C. Kisielente & Family + John Helma by B. Glabicki

Sunday, July 4 | Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 a.m. God's Blessings & Health for Bernadetta Zbroja by Maria Sraga

+ James "JJ" Bertucci, Sr.

- 9:30 a.m. +Teresita Villafuerte Holcomb by Angelica, Emmanuel & Jeremy King
 - + John Kurtz, Jr. by Tom & Carol Spalla
 - + Mary Diaz De Leon by Family
 - + Florence Alonzo-Valentin by Angeleo & Hazel Alonzo & Family

Tuesday, July 6 | Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr

8:00 a.m..+ John H. Kurtz, Jr. by Maria Del Torre

+ All Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Dominic Barbaro

Thursday, July 8 | Weekday

8:00 a.m.. + The Mezydlo Family: John, Genevieve, Genevieve (Jean), Aloysius & Eleanore

Saturday, July 10— | Weekday

8:00 a.m. Father's Day Remembrance

Saturday, July 10- Vigil | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m.+ John Wysko by B. Glabicki

- + Angela Obal by B. Glabicki
- + William Lech by B. Glabicki

Sunday, July 11—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 6:00 a.m. God's Blessings & Health for Bernadetta Zbroja by Maria Sraga
- 9:30 a.m. + Teresita Villafuerte Holcomb by Angelica,
 - Emmanuel & Jeremy King
 - + Ofelia Lara by Marta & Juan Herrera
 - + John Kurtz, Jr. by Therese Ryndak

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

St. Barbara

Saturday, July 10th: 8 a.m. Lector: G. Dumelle Eucharistic Minister: C. Sokolowski Sunday, July 11th:

6 a.m. Lector: J. Bertucci

Eucharistic Minister: G. Vanderford

9:30 a.m. Lector: W. Podrazik

2 Eucharistic Minister: J. Lukwinski

St. Therese Worship Site

Sunday, July 4 | Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. + Sau Fong Yuan by Margaret & Teresa

- + Robert Nunamaker by Rose Marie Centofanti
- 10:30 a.m. + Judy Moy by Family
 - + Dorothy Albanese by the Cheong Family
 - + Bow Kam Woo by Marian Torrez & Family
 - + Bernie Wong by Torrez Family
 - + Jack Lee by Darlene
 - + All Deceased School Sisters of Notre Dame by Sr. Caritas

Monday, July 5 | Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

8:00 a.m. + Eva Gwan by Oy

- + Theresa Hill, Birthday Remembrance, by Marion
- + Cookie & David Jarzyna by Marion

Wednesday, July 7 | Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 a.m.. + Dorothy Albanese by Lilly Dong

Friday, July 9 | Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

8:00 a.m. Maria Aniceta Saludo, Birthday Blessings, by Tita Inday

St. Therese

Sunday, July 4th: 8 a.m. Greeters: N. & J. Lowe Lector: J. & B. Fung

10:30 a.m. Greeters: C. Lee, J. Yee, & D. Lowe Lector: W. Chan Eucharistic Minister: E. Gunawan Dear Friends in Christ,

Happy 4th of July! And welcome to our first unified bulletin!

As we gather with families and friends to celebrate the independence of our country, we have so much to be grateful and to pray for. This weekend is also a special

weekend for our parish. It is the 2nd anniversary of the life of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish. As a faith community, we have endured a lot in the last two years and we also have achieved much in the Lord's mission here in Bridgeport, Chinatown and beyond.

As we begin a new fiscal year, I would like to thank you for your dedication and generosity to our parish. Stewardship is a wonderful responsibility that's entrusted to each one of us by our God. What we have are God's blessings, and what we do with our blessings are our choices to make. Your participation and financial support to our parish is greatly appreciated. Each one of you is wanted, needed, and appreciated at St. Mother Teresa Parish.

I also would like to update you on three things, namely, *St. Mother Teresa Shrine, Bulletin, and Website.* I must say that it took much longer than I thought to complete and to launch these three "things," but with the pandemic and with limited resources, we finally have finished them.

I am very grateful to our staff and volunteers for their hard work and invaluable contributions to these projects.

- We have started the work for a St. Mother Teresa Shrine at each of our two churches. The design of the shrines is almost the same. It consists of St. Mother Teresa's life size statue, the crucifix, St. Mother Teresa First Class Relic, candle stands, and the words, "*I Thirst*." Together they remind us of the amazing life that St. Mother Teresa lived and our wish for her to intercede for us and our parish.
- 2. Many conversations and much work have put into our new bulletin. From design to content, from advertisements to printing, many of you have helped to improve our bulletin. I hope you enjoy reading it and kindly offer your constructive suggestions as we continue to improve it.
- 3. Please check out our new website: <u>www.stmotherteresaparish.org</u> and share with me your thoughts and/or suggestions if you wish. It is work in progress. We are committed to improve it and we are also working to have a Chinese version soon.

Finally let me conclude by inviting all of you to pray for each other, for our Church, for our families, and for our country. The celebration of the feast of Saints Peter and Paul this past Tuesday reminds me of the insights shared by Pope Francis at last year's Saints Peter and Paul Feast:

Today's [reading from Acts] brings us to the source of this unity. It relates how the newly born Church was experiencing a moment of crisis: Herod was furious, a violent persecution had broken out, and the Apostle James had been killed. And now Peter had been arrested. The community seemed headless, everyone fearing for his life. Yet at that tragic moment no one ran away, no one thought about saving his own skin, no one abandoned the others, but all *joined in prayer*. From prayer they drew strength, from prayer came a unity more powerful than any threat. . . .

Let us notice something else: at that dramatic moment, no one complained about Herod's evil and his persecution. . . . It is pointless, even tedious, for Christians to waste their time complaining about the world, about society, about everything that is not right. Complaints change nothing. Let us remember that complaining is the second door that closes us off from the Holy Spirit. . . . The first is narcissism, the second discouragement, the third pessimism. Narcissism makes you look at yourself constantly in a mirror; discouragement leads to complaining and pessimism to thinking everything is dark and bleak. These three attitudes close the door to the Holy Spirit. Those Christians did not cast blame; rather, they prayed. In that community, no one said: "If Peter had been more careful, we would not be in this situation." No one. Humanly speaking, there were reasons to criticize Peter, but no one criticized him. They did not complain about Peter; they prayed for him. They did not talk about Peter behind his back; they talked to God.

We today can ask: "Are we protecting our unity, our unity in the Church, with prayer? Are we praying for one another?" What would happen if we prayed more and complained less, if we had a more tranquil tongue?

So let us pray for unity, for peace, and for missionary spirit.

Peace, Fr. Francis





JESUS' AMAZEMENT (1) - Fr. John Cuff

Today's Gospel records a serious breakdown in communication between Jesus and the people of his hometown Nazareth, so serious that He was literally unable to perform any miracles there. "And he could do no deed of power there, except to lay his hands on a few sick people and cure them." (Mark 6:5).

One of the most shocking statements in the Gospels—Jesus could perform no miracle. Not that He would not, but that He simply could not. Is anything impossible with Jesus? Today's Gospel seems to say yes, it's impossible for Him to perform miracles in a situation where there's no faith. Jesus can do and wants to do all things for his people, but He needs our faith to release his power. It would seem that as all-powerful as He is, we have the capacity to disable Him by our lack of faith. Faith is like a switch that turns God on, while lack of faith turns God off.

Moreover, the people of Nazareth took offense at his failure to perform miracles among them. Do we sometimes wonder at God's silence and apparent inactivity in a world of blatant injustice? But the really amazing thing, as far as Jesus is concerned, is the lack of faith among his people. **"And he was amazed at their unbelief**" (Mark 6:6). When we blame God for doing nothing while we suffer things here below, does God perhaps blame us for our unbelief that makes it impossible for Him to act?

Why didn't his townsfolk believe in him? Jesus explained it this way: because "**Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.**" (Mark 6:4). The Cantonese have a similar expression: "The local ginger is not hot." An equivalent modern saying might be "Familiarity breeds contempt." The people of Capernaum thought they knew all there was to know about Jesus, his family, and educational background, and they were not that impressed. Recent converts to Catholicism often do better than old timers in the faith, since there's a tendency among the latter to think that they know all that there is to know about their faith. This hinders them from experiencing the mercy and power of God offered anew each day through the same old pastor, the same old preaching, the same old Sacraments. If that's so, all the more reason for those who feel the need for something new in their spiritual life to join a faith sharing or Bible study group, to discover the new something God offers us each day; to put "new wine in new wineskins" as He says. So let's renew our faith by being more open to Him, so as to enable Him to work miracles among us.

WHAT IS REAL - Sr. Caritas

Many years ago, when the first Presidential debate was on TV, President Kennedy and President Nixon were the candidates. Nixon was trying for a second term and President Kennedy was running for the first time for President. They appeared on TV. Many articles and TV conversations have discussed the fact the TV visual deeply affected who was elected. President Kennedy, as we know, won the election. People say Nixon's appearance and the lighting of the studio affected the election greatly. Perhaps even now it is the contrast in visual appearance between the two men which still influences how we think about that even now. Maybe today that is true too.

TV and computer visuals, etc., influence how we think about people, situations, and ourselves. It does not always show the real situation or portray the real person. We even sometimes take what someone writes on a computer chat about us and we believe it rather than know the real accomplishments or the real facts of who we really are. For teens it is especially hard as people write all kinds of things which are quickly and easily believed.

The Gospel today, talks about people from Jesus' own town who could not accept Jesus as a teacher, preacher, and miracle worker. They did not believe. Jesus reminds us that people who think they know us are unable to accept another view. "The prophet is not accepted in His own town." We have to live who we really are no matter what others think or say. God made us in His image and likeness. We grow in virtue. We can change and be our best selves. Do you live what others think you are? Are you courageous enough to live and show the real good person you are? "Let your light shine. Like St Paul, remember God shines through us, even in our weakness." Go for it!



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 (<u>https://www.youtube.com/</u> <u>channel/UCzAgZ6h3s85o_fB3QSYO2VQ</u>)

Our Parish has a new Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/ <u>StMotherTeresaParish</u>. Please like us and follow us for parish events!



Mondays with the Sisters of Charity:

4pm-5pm: Rosary in our neighborhood 5pm-6pm: Holy Hour at St. Therese Church ALL are Welcome!

Please pray for all Mercy Hospital Patients





Sotheara Ith and Catherine Au Jong

Prayer Intentions:

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Fr. Michael Bowler, Sr. Agnes Chou, and Tim Murphy.

Fr. Bowler was a Chicago Archdiocesan priest for 57 years and served at many parishes and helped out at our very own St. Barbara Church. Visitation will be Thursday, July 8th 2021 from 3-8:00pm at Pomierski Funeral Home and lying-in-state Friday, July 9, 2021 from 9– 10:00am followed by 10:00am mass of Christian burial at St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church, 1039 W. 32nd St.

Sr. Agnes Chou passed away on June 11, 2021. She was 92 years old and a Maryknoll Sister for 59 years. Sister served in the Philippines and Hong Kong and many other parts of the World. From 1972 until 1979, Sr. Agnes served at our very own St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church.

Tim Murphy passed away in 2006 and finally was buried this past Friday.

May they rest in peace!

For more than a year during Covid we've all been wondering ...

What Comes Next?

For the first time since our long lockdown began, the St. Barbara newly revived Pastoral Council met. Our direct answer to What Comes Next:

WE are what comes next!

All of us. For all these months we've been properly staying safe, even as we've been watching out for each other. We've also had more time for personal reflection. For a deeper appreciation of all that we've done in the past. To feel the desire to get back. To reconnect. To rekindle. To refresh our personal and spiritual lives. Now is the time to start that new journey. Over the summer, the Parish Pastoral Council at St. Barbara will be reaching out to the community, especially organization leaders — asking what we need to move forward, again. To start here are two **"Save the Date"** items for your personal and spiritual calendars. Both at St. Barbara:

Sunday, September 5th:

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Mass Saturday, September 11th: Leadership Retreat Gathering of organization Leaders

Please plan to be part of our long awaited renewal as we resume our public journey of faith together.

From the members of the Parish Council at St. Barbara Worship Site

Rev. Francis Li	Rev. John Cuff	Sr. Caritas				
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Dolores Becatti*	Franc	cisco Rodriguez**				
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Walter Podrazik**						
* Current Membe	er **	New Member				

Special thanks to our past member: Phil Whitehouse for all his hard work on our Council.

Memorare to St. Joseph

Remember, O most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my great protector, Saint Joseph, that no one ever had recourse to your protection, or implored your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding therefore in your goodness, I come before you. Do not turn down my petitions, foster father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them.

WEEKLY COLLECTION - June 27, 2021

			S	it. Barbara		St	. Therese
Sunday Envelopes (75)			\$	1,611.25		\$	525.00
Sunday Loose			\$			\$	295.00
Give Central			\$			\$	340.00
Total Collection			\$	1,611.25		\$	1,160.00
		YTD		Weekly	YTD		Weekly
Actual	\$	1,611.25	\$	1,611.25	\$ 1,160.00	\$	1,160
Goal	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,500	\$ 2,500.00	\$	2,500
% of Goal	. <u> </u>	64%		64%	 46%		46%
Votives and Vigil Lights			\$			\$	
Peter's Pence		2nd	\$	75.00	 2nd	\$	238.00

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Need for Prayer

Please pray for those who are ill, homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers.

Amalia Agins, Austin Agins, Bernadette Agins, Joyce Agins, Stephen Agins, Mary Aguirre, Angeleo Alonzo, 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., Laverne Connolly, Tim Consola, Joe Cruz, Patti Cuchetto, Paul DeGrazia, Henry Diaz De Leon, 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, Barbara Herr, Denise Holland, Gwen Holub, Morris Humphrey, Michaeline Hunter, Ted Hunter, Suzanne Ivester, Jennifer Janson, Chester Jendryczka, Dr. Joe, John Kaput, Dorothy Kawalerski, Rose Kisielowski, Anna Kolendo, Christine Krupa, Janice Kutansky, Craig Labudda, Ken Labudda, Sunny Labudda, Baby Kinsley Paige Leschinsky, Susie Levato, Kiera Litwin, Lenny Loretto, Richard Lyznicki, Nancy Mallory, John Mangan, Kayle Marth, Paul Martinez, Bill Marczuk, Zena Masi, Maria Mawgwi, Lil' Joe Michalak, Cindy Moore, Dr. Mike, Cydney Muti, Stephanie Nicks, Ann Nieru, Deacon Jack O'Leary, Allison Pakula, Virginia Pakula, Eva Castillion Parcon, Josie Petkus, Michael Petruck, Theresa Pickens, 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, 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, Evelyn Zaleski, Virginia Zawacki, Irene Zima, Roberta Cheong, Brian Cook, Cita Orendain, Anne Pataka, Victor Roa, Hu Bin, Lois Payton, Gerard Phillips, Felina Li, Barbara Metzinger, Shiu Wah Leung, Dolly Roti, Debbie Annoreno, Ali Powers, Benjamin N. Lucas, Lan Ying Yee, Richard Shew, Amelia Lorraine Schroeder, Lai I Fan, Mia Rose Faciana, Jose Cardenal, Karl Schroeder, Xue Ying Mou, Angelo Lasillo, John Paleoik, Phil Maraldi, Ching Shiu Yau, Anthony Valentino, Matthew Mantia, Nicholas Tobar, Gyna Gazzi, Luke Williamson, Sister Noel Devine, Joseph Rubin, James Gemkow, Bai Xue, Barbara McElroy, Ken Barber, Frank Karagianes, David Leung, Ramona Zavala, Kay Siani, Levi Kirkland, Luz Whitehead, Michael Howley, Jerry McCarthy, Ted Sin, Phyllis Robinson, Mina Preysler Munoz, James Rak, Susan Zibricky, James Longo III, Richard Tobar, Mark Donato, Henry F. Wong, Rose Perez, MAD & Rose Marie Donato, George Lee, Florence Yu, Joseph Caruso. Kerry Fluder, Roseann Gurgone

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Sacramental

Please contact the rectory for any of the following:

Baptisms: Parents must be registered practicing parishioner and attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled.

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.

Confessions: Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 p.m. at St. Barbara Church or by appointment.

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.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) 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.

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Building the New Reality #3: Evangelization—Tom Howard

Parish life, for the past year and a half, was a scramble. Due to restrictions, ministries went back and forth. The constant scramble was unsettling.

I, for one, truly missed the fullness of community life. I love celebrating with food and fellowship. There is nothing like hearing George Lee's laugh or seeing Elizabeth Pienta's smile.

A couple of Sundays ago, at the St. Therese Worship Site, I captured this AMAZING image of Robert Cheong speaking to George Lee after mass. If you know anything about their backstories, it's hard not to give glory to God while seeing this.

Speaking of breakthroughs, it was not so long ago that we were in between Easter and Pentecost. At this juncture, Fr. Brad Zamora issued a challenge for ministries to reignite. Thanks to God, several fruits flowed from this retreat. Music, altar servers, and other ministries soon caught fire. Other ministries are right around the corner.

As mentioned in last week's article, it's not healthy to rest on one's laurels. We may have reignited some ministries, but there is so much more work to be done.

American culture challenges parish leaders to be both aware of the threats to human dignity and continually address the overarching need to evangelize. Fear and uncertainty sometimes hold us back from bearing witness to our love for Christ with others. I believe that the witness of Roberta and George should inspire each of us to APOSTOLIC action.

Building the New Reality (BNR) reminds us that each of us was blessed with sacramental character by the merits of our confirmation. Below I paraphrase what I remember each of them shares with me after mass:

• "Tom, I cannot wait until the Summer fair this year. I have some exciting ideas on how to engage and evangelize our guests," enthusiastically replied Roberta.

• "Tom, let's get the food organized. Who will be in charge of our main booth this year?" inquired George.

Evangelization is what animates each of these two individuals. That is why they are not just disciples but missionary disciples.

BNR invites each of us to share a story of transformation with those who do not know Christ. If this story inspired you, recycle this week's bulletin, sharing it with a friend. No matter their condition, everyone is called to be resilient, act in determination, and forgive instead of being violent. Follow up with the one you gifted the bulletin with to check in. Invite them to Alpha.

The summer fair is right before us. Our feast day mass is on the horizon. Let's set aside any fears and anxiety and place our trust in the good Lord. Together, we can build a new reality here in Chinatown, Bridgeport, and beyond.



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COMING SOON! Fall 2021: 3334 N. Western Ave





Wei-Chuan U.S.A., Inc. is a leading Chinese food manufacturer and supplier in the United States and headquartered in City of Industry, California. The Company specializes in producing frozen Chinese foods, including Dumplings, Gyoza, Potstickers, Meat Buns, Spring Roll Shells, Moo-Shu Shells, Wontons, Mini Buns, Pan Fried Buns, Noodle Bowls, Rice Bowls, Spring Rolls, Egg Rolls, Wrappers, and more. We also distribute a wide variety of imported products such as Frozen Food, Dry Food, Frozen Seafood, and Organic Food through our six distribution centers, where customers are able to purchase Wei-Chuan's products at grocery stores or wholesalers in North America.

For more than four decades, Wei-Chuan U.S.A., Inc. has upheld the tradition while also pursuing innovation to produce affordable and delicious foods. With our passion for food, we insist on quality and continuously invest in technical expertise. Our food brings convenience to modern life and also provides a taste of home for overseas Chinese. Moreover, we also seek mainstream market and international market so more people will come to enjoy the Chinese flavor. Wei-Chuan U.S.A., Inc. is committed to corporate responsibility—paying particular attention to food safety and quality, at the same time emphasizing customer satisfaction and traditional taste.

Taste of Happiness

ANNUAL CHINATOWN SUMMER FAIR

JULY 31 - AUGUST 1, 2021 ST. MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH @ ST. THERESE CHURCH



This is our parish's biggest event of the year--not only financially, but in terms of our presence in Chinatown and promotion of the church to all visitors. This event would not be possible without your help and support!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

PLEASE EMAIL US OR SIGN UP AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCE IF YOU CAN HELP OUT ON EITHER OR BOTH DAYS WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

Saturday 7/31/2021 and Sunday 8/1/2021

9 AM to 11:30 AM - Set up and food prep

11:30 AM to 3 PM/3 PM to 6:30 PM shifts – Food booth (food prep, grillers, cashiers, packers, runners) Activity booths (helpers for Ministry, Church Tours, Dunk Tank, Putting, Basketball)

6 PM - Clean up

Food will be provided for all volunteers

Donations and Booth Sponsors are also needed. Please contact us if you would like to sponsor a booth!

50/50 Raffle Tickets are available for \$10. Ticket sellers: Jing Zhang (church office), Nick & Ellen Andriacchi, Corwin Eng, Marilyn Leung, Ray Lin, Darlene Lowe, Naomi Lowe, Teresa Moy, Wendy Sin, Marian Woo Torrez, and Gemma Wong.

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