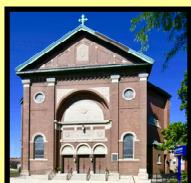


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**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY  
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**HAPPY RETIREMENT, FR. ANDRZEJ  
STO LAT!**

**Sept.  
29,  
2019**

**Keep the commandment without stain  
or reproach until the appearance  
of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**— *I Timothy 6:14***



### Activities This Week

- Sun., Sept. 29 - Fr. Andrzej Farewell Masses; reception in lower hall following 9:30 am Mass
- Sat., Oct. 5 - First Saturday Healing Mass; 8:00 am in the St. Barbara Chapel
- Sun., Oct. 6 - Altar & Rosary Sodality Mtg.; 11:00 am in the Senior Mobile



### The St. Barbara Lighting Sponsor for the week:

Wedding Ann. Memorial: Felix and Victoria Krzyzanski

Requested by: Daughters



### PILGRIMAGE TO MUNSTER, INDIANA

St. Therese is sponsoring a Pilgrimage to the Carmelite Shrine in Munster, Indiana. The date is Saturday, October 12th. We will begin with Mass at the St. Barbara Worship Site at 8:00 am. Departure for the pilgrimage will be at 8:45 am. Bus cost: \$10; Lunch \$10.

A registration sheet can be found on the table in back of church.

### Communion & Confession for Shut-Ins

If you or someone you know is homebound, even temporarily, and would like to receive Communion, have their Confession heard, or receive the Anointing of the Sick, Fr. Francis and Fr. Lukas are available to visit you. Please contact the rectory (312-842-7979) to request a visit.



### ST. BARBARA ALTAR & ROSARY MEETING NEXT SUNDAY

The Altar & Rosary Sodality will meet next Sunday, October 8th, at 11:00 am in the Senior Mobile following the conclusion of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Join us for the praying of the rosary, a light lunch, and a few games of bingo. New members are always welcome!

*Gratitude  
is the best  
Attitude*

### RITUAL CARD RESPONSES

Thank you to those who participated in the reflective ritual that took place at our Heritage and Hope weekend Masses 8/31 and 9/1.

All the HOPEFUL and THANKFUL cards have been placed in a binder which is located on the shelf beneath the bulletin board in the back of the church on the Sacred Heart side.

Do stop by to read the responses and possibly locate yours!



### CHOIR NEWS SING! SING! SING!

St. Barbara Choir is starting its new season rehearsals on Wednesday, October 2<sup>ND</sup> at 7:00 pm. We are always looking for new members.

Enter through the side door between the Church and the Rectory. The choir sings at all 9:30 am Masses from October through June and on all Holy Day Obligations. If you would like to observe a rehearsal first, just stop by between 7:00 pm and 8:30 pm on Wednesday.



Thursday, September 19, 2019

The \$500 coverall had 4 winners, each receiving \$125 (no picture available).

Thank you to Mable for celebrating her birthday with us by providing dinner, birthday cake and ice cream for all bingo players. A special thanks to her daughter Karen for serving everyone. Happy Birthday Mable and we hope you have a blessed year.



# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

## THANKS

Thanks to Fr. Andrzej Beltowski for his faithful and committed years of service to St. Barbara, to St. Mother Teresa and to the Archdiocese of Chicago. We congratulate him on his retirement and wish him well as he plans to return to his home country.

Thanks to all who attended Vitality Day last Wednesday sponsored by Vicariate III. Our parish had a wonderful group of leaders and volunteers who participated. It's worthy to note we were the largest group among all the participating parishes.

Thanks to all who have made the vision possible for St. Barbara Gym and Lower Hall to have two beautiful painted San Damiano Crucifixes. They are powerful reminders of our call to Renew My Church as St. Francis was called to do. I know the journey continues to be hard and challenging for many in our new community. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your family and keep each other in your prayers. Also, please do not hesitate to call me or make an appointment to speak with me. I want to listen to you and hear from you.



## AVOIDING THE RICH MAN'S FATE

Today's Gospel offers us a powerful parable that calls us to pay attention, to wake up and to not be absorbed by ourselves. Poor Lazarus was out humbly asking for help, but the rich man lived in closed doors with sumptuous food and lifestyles.

Saint Mother Teresa remarked that you can find Calcutta all over the world, if you have eyes to see. So too, we can find Lazarus all over the world if we have eyes to see. Lazarus can be all around us in those physically suffering, but also in those spiritually suffering. Faced with Today's Gospel offers us a powerful parable that calls us to pay attention, to wake up and to not be absorbed by ourselves. The poor Lazarus was out humbly asking for help, but the rich man lived in closed doors with sumptuous food and lifestyles.

Saint Mother Teresa remarked that you can find Calcutta all over the world, if you have eyes to see. So too, we can find Lazarus all over the world if we have eyes to see. Lazarus can be all around us in those physically suffering, but also in those spiritually suffering. Faced with tremendous sufferings in our world today, our responses must be doing both the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

A helpful lesson came to me as I read the Gospel story today. Lazarus was not welcomed inside the door of the rich man. He was ignored. His fate became the fate of the rich man's in afterlife. The only difference is that the rich man met his fate by all the choices he made in his earthly life. This can offer us a lot to reflect on in the ministry of hospitality that we strive to offer and build up in our Church and in our parish.

Just this past Wednesday, when our parish leaders attended the Vitality Day, the message of the day was on the necessity of hospitality for a vital parish life. Hospitality is an essential first step for cultivating evangelization. It is an opportunity to experience and share God's grace. Abraham and Sarah unknowingly entertained angels through their warm hospitality. In practicing hospitality we too are encountering God through our brothers and sisters who are made in the image of God.

So let's pray that we can see Lazarus around us and have the strength to open our doors to them and welcome them into our lives and our families and our churches. In practicing hospitality, we please and encounter our God and we allow God to love others and the world through you and through me today.

Peace,

Fr. Francis

### **FAITH-FILLED, FAITHFUL LIVES** **By Sr. Caritas**

Many times in our lives, as we hear the stories of Jesus and the disciples and apostles, we may think, "I wish I was alive then. I could see Jesus as He was on earth. It would be easier to believe in Him and to imitate Him." It would not be like today. We have to believe what is written in the scripture or what others tell us. If we could only see Jesus as Peter or John or Mary did. Surely it would be easier.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us the story of a rich man and a beggar. Lazarus lay at the doorstep and suffered and begged. Lazarus went to heaven when he died but the rich man did not. The rich man saw Lazarus in the "bosom of Abraham, no longer suffering but happy." The rich man wanted to be free of his suffering and join Abraham. The great chasm separated them and neither could cross to the other side.

Lazarus received his reward and the rich man received his punishment. The rich man begged that someone go to his family and warn them. "Surely they would change if someone came back from the dead."

We who live today have the witness of the apostles and the life of Jesus. Jesus did rise from the dead. WE live by faith, believing even though we have not seen with our own eyes. The apostles also had to live by faith for they too had to choose to believe in the Jesus who they saw looked like them and lived among them. We each must make this choice of belief and live our lives, following the example and words of Jesus. Unlike the rich man who ignored Lazarus right at his door step, we are called to care for others and to reach out to the poor, the sick, the homeless, those in need. We are called to see Jesus in others and to help them as we would if it actually were Jesus. Jesus told us "What you do to the least of my brothers and sisters you do unto me."

This coming week we again celebrate the feast of St. Therese. She lived in France and, even though young when she died, in her few years she lived with great love of Jesus. She followed Him. St. Therese did little, ordinary things with great love. WE live ordinary lives filled with hundreds of "little" everyday things. We can imitate her and follow Jesus. Let us imitate her example and live a life of deep faith and love. We too can reach heaven.



Life Chain 2019 is an opportunity to stand up and be counted among the pro-life majority as we join our hearts at silent, prayerful witness against the "procedure" that takes the life of the unborn while leaving a crippling scar on the heart and life of the mother. Stand with us on Sunday, October 6th, as we prayerfully let our neighbors know that abortion hurts women, too. Our Life Chain will join over 1900 other locations across North America in a silent, loving witness to end abortion. Please join the St. Barbara Knights of Columbus as we attend this life-saving event on 159th Street between Harlem Avenue and 80th Avenue. To allow time for distribution of signs, plan to arrive by 2:00 pm.

### **ST. THERESE MASS CHANGE**

The Indonesian Mass, formerly held at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church, will be held at the Divine Word Mission Center at Techny until January.

Thursday Night Bingo is always looking for volunteers. If you would like to help us, we have openings for sellers and kitchen help. Please give Jim Bertucci a call (312) 835-5411. This is a great way to help support our combined parish.

# news and events

**St. Therese of the Little Flower Mass:** There will be a Mass celebrating the feast day of St. Therese of the Little Flower at the St. Therese Worship Site on Monday, September 30th, at 8:00 am.

**First Friday Mass:** Our next First Friday devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will take place at 7:00 pm this Friday, October 4th, at the St. Therese Worship Site with the praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and time for silent meditation and benediction. All are welcome.

**First Saturday Healing Mass:** The First Saturday of the Month Healing Mass will be at 8:00 am this Saturday, October 5th, at the St. Barbara Worship Site Chapel. We will have the Sacrament of Anointing and pray the Marian Litany. One of the questions people ask is, “who can receive the Anointing”?

This sacrament is not only for those who are dying, but for all who are seriously ill. Are you suffering from serious illness, chronic pain, or the debilitating effects of advancing age? Are you preparing for surgery or recovering from the effects of surgery? Come and receive this sacrament. Let Jesus heal you.

**Blessing of Animals/Walk-A-Thon:** There will be a Blessing of Animals at the St. Therese Worship Site this Saturday, October 5th, at 9:00 am followed by a Walk-A-Thon to Ping Tom Park at 10:00 am. Everyone is invited.

**Carmelite Pilgrimage:** Sr. Caritas will lead a Retreat to the Carmelite Shrine in Munster, Indiana on Saturday, October 12th. The day will begin with Mass at 8:00 am in the St. Barbara Chapel. The bus will leave St. Barbara for the Shrine at 8:45 am. Return will be at approximately 3:30 pm.

**Youth Ministry:** Our next Youth Ministry night will be held on Saturday, October 12th, following the 5:00 pm Mass at the St. Barbara Worship Site. All youth from 7th grade through high school are welcome.

**Family Mass:** The next Family Mass for the St. Barbara Campus students will take place on Sunday, October 13th. St. Barbara Family Mass occurs every second Sunday of the month.

The next Family Mass for the St. Therese Campus students will take place on Sunday, October 20th. St. Therese Family Mass is held every third Sunday of the month.

**Leadership Retreat Day:** On Saturday, October 26th, from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm, there will be a Leadership Retreat Day at the Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center, 513 West Fullerton Parkway. Please think about joining us for this retreat.

**RCIA:** We are offering RCIA classes in English, Cantonese, and Mandarin. If you know someone who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please fill out a form in back of church and put it in the collection basket, return it to the rectory or email Tom Howard at [thoward@sttheresechicago.org](mailto:thoward@sttheresechicago.org). RCIA begins next Sunday, October 6th.

## Calling All Liturgical Ministers at St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish:

Our annual gathering will be on Saturday, November 16th beginning at Noon with a complimentary lunch at the St. Barbara gym and ending with the 5:00 pm Sunday Vigil Mass. Fr. Bradley Zamora, graduate of St. Barbara and Liturgy Professor at Mundelein Seminary will guide us through the day and the topic is “Encountering Christ through Liturgy”. Please reserve the date and plan to join us for a wonderful day of prayers, fellowship, renewal and sharing!

For those of you who are not liturgical ministers yet, but feel you are called to join a new liturgical ministry, you are most welcome to speak with Fr. Francis or Fr. Lucas. We would love to have you joining our ministries!

### Special October Masses



Date	Time	Worship Site	Description
Monday 10-07-19	8:00 AM	St. Therese	School mass for St. Therese Campus
Tuesday 10-08-19	8:00 AM	St. Barbara	School mass for St. Barbara Campus
Sunday 10-13-19	9:30 AM and 10:45 a.m.	St. Barbara	Family Mass with Altar Server Installation at 9:30 followed by Parent Formation talk on Virtues and Discipline at 10:45 a.m. in the Church
Sunday 10-20-19	9 a.m. and 10:30AM	St. Therese	Parent Formation talk on Virtues and Discipline at 9 a.m. in the community room followed by Family Mass with Altar Server Installation
Monday 10-21-19	8:00AM	St. Therese	School Mass for St. Therese Campus
Tuesday 10-22-19	8:00AM	St. Barbara	School Mass for St. Barbara Campus
Wed. 10-30-19	8:00AM	St. Therese	Class Mass for 8th Graders of BOTH Campuses

**SCHOOL MASSES** are first and third Monday at St. Therese and second and fourth Tuesday at St. Barbara.

**ALL-SCHOOL MASSES** would require both campuses to attend.

**CLASS MASSES** are focused on a single class (grades 5-8) at a specific campus.

**FAMILY MASSES** are Sunday Masses that invite the entire families of students.



## Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Saturday, September 28 - Vigil of the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
5:00 p.m.	+ Frank and Casimira Nowak (Family) + Holy Souls in Purgatory (Parishioner) Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family) All Sick and Homebound (Parishioner) All Caregivers (Parishioner) Peace and Harmony (Parishioner)
<b>Sunday, September 29 - The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
6:00 a.m.	+ Cecile (Cis) Krok (Krzyzanski Sisters) + Birth. Rem.: Dorothy Smolinski (Husband, Ray) Special Intention (Spalla Family) Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m.	+ Birth. Rem.: Mike Domagala (Family) + Nick Paolino (Wife, Mary) + Barbara Czerniak (Ed & B. Glabicki) + Ed Glabicki (Henry Diaz DeLeon) + Health Blessings: Ellen Pietrzak (Your Neighbors) + Divine Mercy for All (Parishioner)
<b>Monday, September 30 - St. Jerome</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Therese Church + Ann.: Maryann Riccelli (Dee Dee)
<b>Tuesday, October 1 - St. Therese of the Child Jesus</b>	
8:00 a.m.	+ Robert Baker + Rita M. Lukas
<b>Wednesday, October 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Therese Church
<b>Thursday, October 3 - Weekday</b>	
8:00 a.m.	+ John Kutyba (Victoria Skala)
<b>Friday, October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Therese Church + Birth. Rem.: Linda Sullivan (Diane and Frances DeGrazia)
<b>Saturday, October 5 - Weekday; Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Father's Day Remembrance + Ted Piorecki
<b>Saturday, October 5 - Vigil of the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
5:00 p.m.	+ Jose, Ricky and Maria Lara (Marta Herrera) + Ed Glabicki (C. Kisielente Family) Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)
<b>Sunday, October 6 - The Twenty-Seventh in Ordinary Time</b>	
6:00 a.m.	+ Cecile (Cis) Krok (Krzyzanski Sisters) + Ed Glabicki (Sharon Guest) Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family) Birthday Blessings and Special Intention: Jim Bertucci III (Mom and Dad)
9:30 a.m.	+ Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family) + Ed Drumm (Ed & B. Glabicki) + Joan Bocian (Ed & B. Glabicki) + Roger Lech (Ed & B. Glabicki) + Ed Glabicki (St. Barbara Thursday Night Bingo)

## Weekly Collection - September 21st - 22nd

Sunday Envelopes (62)	\$ 1,067.00
Sunday Loose	\$ 465.00
Debt Reduction (35)	\$ 470.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,002.00</b>
	<u>YTD</u>
Actual	\$ 29,451.17
Goal	\$ 76,800.00
% of Goal	38%
Votives & Vigil Lights:	\$ 141.09
August Give Central: 1st	\$ 1,449.00
2nd	\$ 285.00

**Attention:** For those who make your offering in the form of a check, please continue to make checks payable to your respective Worship Site Churches until it is announced otherwise.



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## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

#### 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers:  
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Skokal, R. Carden,  
J. Lukwinski

Lectors: P. Saletta, G. Dumelle

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

#### 6:00 a.m.

Altar Server: G. Vanderford  
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Bertucci, S. Guest, J. Balasa  
Lector: J. Bertucci

#### 9:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: A. Alonso  
Eucharistic Ministers: P. Rodriguez, J. Rodriguez,  
D. Ramos  
Lectors: Bette Pienta, Hazel Alonso

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The current staff at St. Therese Church is not listed here.

**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.

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#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **WEEKEND LITURGIES**

St. Barbara: Saturday: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 6:00am, 9:30 am  
St. Therese: Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am; and Mandarin Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month at 12:00 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

#### **CONFESSION**

St. Barbara: Saturday 4:15–4:45 pm or by appointment

St. Therese: By appointment

#### **THE ROSARY**

St. Barbara: Sunday at 5:30 a.m. before 6:00 am Mass

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. The office is closed on Thurs. Sat. and Sun.

Please pray for those homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers:  
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