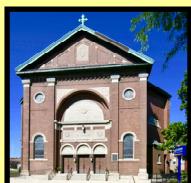


**ST. MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA  
PARISH**



**2859 South Throop Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60608**



**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Oct.  
06,  
2019**



**Come, let us bow down in worship;  
let us kneel before the LORD who  
made us.**

**— Psalm 95:6**



### Activities This Week

- Sun, Oct. 6 ~ Altar & Rosary Sodality Mtg.; 11:00 am in the Senior Mobile
- Tues., Oct. 8 ~ St. Barbara/St. Therese Staff Mtg; 10:00 ~ 11:30 am  
~ Altar & Rosary Mtg.; 11:30 am
- Sat., Oct. 12 ~ Pilgrimage to Munster, Indiana; 8:00 am Mass; 8:45 am Bus Leaves  
~ St. Barbara KC's Chili Cook-Off after 5:00 pm Mass in the Parish Center  
~ Youth Ministry Night following the 5:00 pm Mass
- Sun., Oct. 12 ~ St. Barbara Family Mass; 9:30 am



### 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. Payment may be made at the rectory during regular business hours.

### Holy Name News

Our next meeting will be held this Friday, October 11th, at 7:00 pm.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHILI COOK-OFF



The St. Barbara Knights of Columbus will host their Chili Cook-Off next Saturday, October 12th, from 5:00 until 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. Chili will be sold for \$5.00 a bowl.

Please come and support our major fundraiser for the year.



### ST. BARBARA ALTAR & ROSARY MEETING TODAY

The Altar & Rosary Sodality will meet today, Sunday, October 6th, 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!



### THE ST. VINCENT DePAUL FALL CLOTHING DRIVE IS BACK!

When: Saturday, October 12, 2019  
9:00 am to 5:30 pm  
and  
Sunday, October 13, 2019  
9:00 am to 1:30 pm

Where: The St. Barbara Church Parking Lot

Bring your boxed, bagged and bundled clothing to the van in the parking lot. Remember to bag your shoes separately.

Small appliances are welcome.

PLEASE: NO BABY FURNITURE!

GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU

### FAREWELL AND THANK YOU ST. BARBARA



It's time for me to say good-bye! I will miss everyone here at St. Barbara. You made me feel like I was a treasured part of this parish.

To all those who expressed your feelings in your cards and gifts, please accept my deepest thanks.

I would like to thank the Holy Name Men's Choir for their beautiful singing during my farewell Mass. A very special thank you goes to those who sponsored my farewell party, name the Holy Name Society, the St. Barbara Senior Citizens, the St. Barbara Thursday Night Bingo, Judy Lukwinski, and Dolores Becatti. My farewell party "seemed like a beautiful dream".

I will remember all of you fondly and pray for you when I am in Poland. I hope to see all of you when I come back to visit. In the meantime, I wish you many blessings, good health and much happiness.

Fr. Andrzej



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Thursday  
September 28, 2019

Wendy and Ted  
Coverall: \$500 Split



# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

## CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS

Congratulations to Janice Lin and Brian Chow who celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony last Saturday at the St. Therese Worship Site. Their love for each other continues to be a true witness of God's love for all people. We rejoice with them and assure them of our prayers.

Thanks to all who helped with Fr. Andrzej Beltowski's Mass of Thanksgiving and Farewell party last Sunday. Special thanks to members of the Holy Name and Men's Choir for their valuable contribution to a beautiful celebration of Fr. Andrzej's ministry and service at St. Barbara. Now we must continue to carry on the mission that Jesus has entrusted to us at St. Barbara and St. Therese of the St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish. In giving, serving, and celebrating together, we strive to fulfill our call as baptized missionary disciples.



## "INCREASE OUR FAITH"

The apostles are asking the Lord to increase their faith in today's Gospel. Like them we too oftentimes find ourselves are in need of a stronger faith. So we pray for the Lord to help us and to assist others, particularly in tough times, times of illness and sufferings, of darkness and of hardships. The Good News is that we trust that God always hears our prayers and we know God has given us a multitude of Saints to inspire our faith journey.

This past Tuesday and today at St. Therese Worship Site we celebrate the feast of St. Therese of the Little Flower, an exemplar model of faith for all and a distinguished Doctor of the Church. Her short earthly life was all about love and doing small things with great love and above all doing God's will at all time.

*Jesus deigned to teach me this mystery. He set before me the book of nature. I understood how all the flowers He has created are beautiful, how the splendor of the rose and the whiteness of the lily do not take away the perfume of the little violet or the delightful simplicity of the daisy. I understood that if all the flowers wanted to be roses, nature would lose her springtime beauty, and the fields would no longer be decked out with little wildflowers.*

*And so it is in the world of souls, Jesus' garden. He willed to create great souls comparable to lilies and roses, but He has created smaller ones and these must be content to be daises or violets destined to give joy to God's glances when He looks down at His feet. Perfection consists in doing His Will, in being what He wills us to be.*

(Quoted in *Modern Saints: Their Lives and Faces* by Ann Ball, 222)

Doing God's will. Isn't this what we are all called to do? Let's imitate St. Therese's example and let's pray that the Lord increase our faith too!

Peace.

Fr. Francis

## RENEW MY CHURCH UPDATE

Welcome our new Operations Director, Piotr M. Wojtasik. Below is a biography and pictures.

With this new position, the Business Manager position in all the newly-unified parishes will be eliminated. So let's wholeheartedly thank Carol Spalla Malone for her years of dedicated service to the faithful community of St. Barbara and our newly-united Parish. Carol has graciously agreed to stay for two more weeks to help with the transition.

Fr. Li



### PIOTR M WOJTASIK

Piotr Wojtasik is a dedicated servant of our Lord. A lawyer by degree, a servant of God's people by faith. The past 7 years he has served as Business Manager at St. Gertrude Parish in Franklin Park and St. Rosalie Parish in Harwood Heights. Before assuming that position he served as Pastoral Assistant.

Piotr was born in east part of Poland as a 2<sup>nd</sup> child in the family of seven. Like Piotr, his parents served the faithful at the Catholic University of Lublin, where he graduated with a Master of Civil Law. During his education, he also pursued an interest in Canon Law. After graduating he worked for the Polish government in several areas that included: unemployment administration, fed-auditor, and had an opportunity to develop his professional skills in the area of bookkeeping finances and investment process for nonprofit organizations.

Piotr's love of God gave him courage to make a leap of faith and offer himself, together with his wife and seven children, to go on an international mission. After a short time of discernment and preparation, Piotr and his family were sent by Pope Benedict XVI, in January 2006, as a part of the Family in Mission program, Neo-catechumenal Way. They were received by Fr. Corbo, the Pastor of St. Gertrude and the late Cardinal George. During their 30 years in mission in the U.S., three of the youngest of their children were born.

Piotr is a devoted husband and father and enjoys the challenges of balancing an active work and home life with his 10 beautiful children (the oldest is 23, the youngest is 8). His passion as a missionary disciple is to do pastoral work evangelizing the Good News and lending his many talents to serve God's people.



### GREAT EXPECTATIONS By Sister Caritas

In many situations, we have expectations of others. At work the boss has expectations of the workers and the workers expect things of the boss. At home we expect things of our children and our children expect parents to keep the promises made to them. In schools teachers have expectations of students and parents expect things of the teachers and of the school. When these expectations are met and fulfilled, no one says too much. Much is said when expectations are not met.

In Jesus' teaching today in the Gospel, the apostles ask Jesus to increase their faith. Jesus gives two examples. If you grow mustard greens, you know that the seeds are very small but the plant grows quite big. That is the expectation. Jesus tells us that, if we have as much faith as a mustard seed, we can do miracles. The underlying question is, "Do we believe without doubt?" When we act in faith, do we really, unhesitatingly know that what we are doing will be successful? Do we really believe what we need will be given or do we doubt? There is the daily challenge.

In the other part of this rather short Gospel reading, Jesus gives the example of what is expected of a servant. A servant is expected to serve. Jesus tells us we are expected, as servants of God, to fulfill the commandments – all of them. This is what it means to act faithfully, as St. Therese, the Little Flower did. She considered herself a child of God and did each little action of her life with great love. This way she fulfilled God's expectation of a faith-filled daughter of God. In acting this simple way, she did not look for praise or reward. She did what she thought was expected of her as a faith-filled person. She became a saint. Jesus tells us that, if we do what God asks of us, we are only doing what is expected of a Catholic Christian. We do not deserve "extra profit or reward". This is what we promise at baptism. Jesus says, "When we have done all that we have been commanded to do, consider yourself an unprofitable servant." You have only done what you promised and what is expected. Ask for the growth in faith and the grace to fulfill what God asks of us; act with faith and with "great love".

# news and events

**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.

**KC's Chili Cook-Off:** On Saturday, October 12th, the St. Barbara Knights of Columbus will hold their Chili Cook-Off from 5:00 - 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

**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.

**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 on Saturday, November 2nd, 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.

**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 this 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

<u>Saturday, October 5 - Vigil of the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>	
5:00 p.m.	+ Jose, Ricky, and Maria Lara (Marta Herrera) + Ed Glabicki (Kisielente Family) Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)
<u>Sunday, October 6 - The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>	
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)
<u>Monday, October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary</u>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Therese Church + Mary Domagala (Mike Domagala)
<u>Tuesday, October 8 - Weekday</u>	
8:00 a.m.	+ Birth. Rem.: Michael Wrozek (Adeline Skokal)
<u>Wednesday, October 9 - Weekday; St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonard</u>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Therese Church
<u>Thursday, October 10 - Weekday</u>	
8:00 a.m.	+ 10th Ann.: Eugene Korso (M. Korso)
<u>Friday, October 11 - Weekday; St. John XXIII</u>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Therese Church
<u>Saturday, October 12 - Weekday</u>	
8:00 a.m.	All Souls' Remembrance
<u>Saturday, October 12 - Vigil of the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>	
5:00 p.m.	+ Rose Weindofer (Rosemary) + Edward Lenicky (Dee) Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)
<u>Sunday, October 13 - The Twenty-Eighth in Ordinary Time</u>	
6:00 a.m.	+ Cecile (Cis) Krok (Krzyzanski Sisters) Birth. Blessings: Patricia Bertucci (Jim and Christine Bertucci and Sons) Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family) Health Blessings: Bernice Rolniak (St. Barbara Thursday Night Bingo)
9:30 a.m.	+ Nick Paolino (Phil and Nick) + Arlene Helma (Ed & B. Glabicki) + Gene Helma (Ed & B. Glabicki) + Ed Glabicki (Cathy and Phil Whitehouse) Health Blessings: Ed Sraga & Family (Family)

**Mercy Home - Sunday Mass  
WGN - TV Channel 9 - Chicago**

Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM

## Weekly Collection - September 28th - 29th

Sunday Envelopes (80)	\$ 1,593.00
Sunday Loose	\$ 579.00
Piano/Organ Maintenance (47)	\$ 510.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,682.00</b>
	<u>YTD</u>
Actual	\$ 32,133.17
Goal	\$ 83,200.00
% of Goal	38%
Votives & Vigil Lights:	\$ 141.09
August Give Central: 1st	\$ 1,449.00
	Weekly
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.



Electronic giving through **GiveCentral.org** is the safe and secure way to make your weekly donations to St. Barbara. Donate via credit card or electronic check (ACH). Sign up by visiting St. Barbara's home WEB page and follow the prompts.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

#### 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: M. Hui, R. Hui  
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Lukwinski, B. Pienta, R. Carden  
Lectors: Sr. K. McNulty, L. Saletta

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

#### 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. Torres, C. Kelly  
Eucharistic Ministers: L. Oi, K. Rojas, F. Cabrera  
Lectors: School Family Mass

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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:  
 Amalia Agins, Austin Agins, Bernadette Agins, Joyce Agins, Stephen Agins, Mary Aguirre, 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, David Brost, Mary Camarda, Anthony Capone Sr., Adele Castro, Laverne Connolly, Tim Consola, Joe Cruz, Patti Cuchetto, Paul DeGrazia, Jacqueline Dybas, Kathy Egle, Jerry Felske, Minnie Ford, Natalia Francone, Bill Frank, Darlene Frost, Harold Frost, Paul Gadomski, Ray Gadomski, Lily Ann Galloway, John Gasca, Cheryl Lynn Gilhooley, 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 Petrucci, Dolores Pienta, Mitchell Pienta, Virginia Pienta, Ellen Pietrzak, Beverly Pirelli, Ray Polakowski, Robert Potter, Josephine Richardson, Sandra Rios, Joel Rivera, Jose Rodriguez, Jose C. Rodriguez, Mila Rolon, Dolly Roti, Ellen Ryan, Therese Ryndak, Dorothy Rzasa, Maria Saludo, Laverne Scianna, Kennedy Shepski, Adeline Skokal, Raymond Smolinski, Gary Solverson, Sharon Solverson, Jeff Spaargaren, Jr., 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, Ava Walczak, Sadie Walker, Barbara Webb, Bill Webb, Sylvia Wiertel, Madison Young, Eugene & John Zabek, Virginia Zawacki, Irene Zima

