Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept. 1, 2019

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Weddings: Church arrangements must be made at least six months in advance, before booking a reception hall.

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

The **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** and **Communion Calls** are available to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Please contact the church office for additional information.

Sept. 1, 201	Mass Intentions 9 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time			
8:00 A.M. + +	Sau Fong Yuan by Teresa & Gene Lee Bruno Roti, Anniversary Remembrance by Marion			
10:30 A.M. + + + + + +	In Thankinggiving to God for Peter & Kitty Chung by Chung Famil Birthday Blessings for Elvira Rudiene by Vesta and Bill Watt Joanna Wai Nin Law Wan by Law Family The Izzy & Armstrong Family by Family Yiu Lin Au by Family Loraine Pon by Florence & Shu Man Yu Eddy Cheung by Bow Kam Dea-Woo & Family			
MON. Sept. 2nd	Weekday			
8:00 A.M. +	*(<i>Mass at St. Therese Church</i>) Birthday Blessings for Michael Fung by So Family Loraine Pon by Linda & Michele			
<i>TUE. Sept. 3rd</i> 8:00 A.M.	Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church *(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)			
WED. Sept. 4th	Weekday *(Mass at St. Therese Church)			
8:00 A.M +	高志清 by 王世彬			
THU. Sept. 5th	Saint Teresa of Calcutta *(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)			
8:00 A.M. +	In Loving Remembrance of Mike Nardi by Frank & Sophie			
10:00 A.M.	Feast of Saint Mother Teresa at St. Barbara Site			
FRI. Sept. 6th	Weekday *(Mass at St. Therese Church)			
8:00 A.M.	In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus by Dominic Barbaro			
SAT. Sept. 7th	Weekday			
8:00 A.M. +	In Honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Dominic Barbaro			
5:00 P.M. +	* <i>(Mass at St. Barbara Church)</i> Jimmy Annoreno by Family			

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From the Desk of Fr. Francis

Greetings of Christ's Peace and Joy! Hope you all had a blessed week.

Thanks and Welcome

Our School faculty had a day of recollection on Friday, Aug. 23rd praying and learning more about St. Mother Teresa's life. They spent some valuable time visiting the St. Therese Worship Site and the panels of St. Mother Teresa's life. It was a fruitful time shared by all. Thanks to our entire faculty for their commitment and we wish them a wonderful year.

Our Parish catechists had their annual retreat on Saturday, Aug. 24th. Their theme was on St. Mother Teresa's life too. Thanks to all of them for their dedication to our Religious Education Program and special thanks to Tom Howard for leading the day.

This past Tuesday was the first day of school. We had a prayer service at both of our St. Barbara campus and St. Therese campus. I was filled with hope to see our children smiling and eager to come back to school after a relaxing summer. We wish them a successful year.

Humility



Today's readings invite us to reflect on the importance of humility. "My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God." These words from the book of Sirach can be very helpful for our spiritual life. They remind us how humility can lead us closer to God.

Pope Francis says that humility becomes a lost virtue in our modern world. People are so focused on themselves and they forget about others. He uses C.S. Lewis' definition of humility to remind us what true humility is by stating: "True humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less."

Humility helps us to be mindful of others and God. It helps us to know that everything we have in life is a gift from God and we need to be grateful to others and to God.

A powerful example of humility is St. Mother Teresa, our Parish's new patron. Her life was about God and about others. As stated in the last two Sundays, I invite you to spend sometime this weekend with the panels of St. Mother Teresa' life at the entrance area of St. Barbara Church and allow St. Mother Teresa to inspire us. Let's reflect on how renewal in her life journey serves as a perfect example for our own personal and community renewal.

On Sept. 5th, for the first time our community will celebrate the Feast of St. Mother Teresa at our St. Barbara Worship Site with Bishop John Manz and the Missionaries of Charity! I warmly invite you to join us for this special celebration and I also encourage you to extend our St. Barbara and St. Therese Worship Sites traditional hospitality to all of our guests and visitors on that day. This indeed is a historic day for our faith community.

St. Mother Teresa, pray for me and for our faith community.

~Peace, Fr. Francis

		Special S	September Masses
Date	Time	Worship Site	Description
Thursday 9-5-10	10:00AM	St. Barbara	Feast of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Bishop John Manz, Celebrant
Sunday 9-8-19	9:30AM	St. Barbara	Family Mass and Back to School Bash
Tuesday 9-10-19	8:00AM	St. Barbara	School Mass for St. Barbara Campus
Sunday 9-15-19	10:30AM	St. Therese	Family Mass, Catechetical Sunday, Blessing of Teachers Catechists
Monday 9-16-19	8:00AM	St. Therese	School Mass for St. Therese Campus
Tuesday 9-24-19	8:00AM.	St. Barbara	School Mass for St. Barbara Campus
Thursday 9-27-19	8:00AM	St. Barbara	Class Mass for 7 th Graders at St. Barbara Campus
Monday	8:00AM	St. Therese	Feast of St. Therese, Little Flower

First Saturday 8am Healing Mass:

During our monthly healing mass on the 1st Saturday of the Month at the 8am mass at 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 is for all who ae 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.

Hospitality Schedule for Sept. 8, 2019:

GREETERS: Kim Casey, Dan Rak/ RECEPTION: Ellen, Emily <u>Today's Liturgy - Sept. 1, 2019</u> Gather 1157, (Chinese 567) - 22ndSunday in Ordinary Time/C—Cantonese Mass Chinese Hymnal PROCESSIONAL: #354 - 奔赴主前 Before God OFFERTORY: #208 – 上主,萬有天主 Lord Almighty COMMUNION: #443 - 我們萬分不配 O Lord I Am Not Worthy RECESSIONAL: #364 - 眾心的太陽 Sun for our Hearts

News and Events

Parish Religious Education Program

Registration forms can be found at the entrance of the church. See registration materials for more details or contact Chris Delfin at ChrisDelfin@amail.com Or 312-842-6777. Catechists are also needed!

SMI Feast Celebration will be on Sunday, Sept. 8th at 11:00am. Our regular 8am and 10:30am masses will be combined to a 9:00am mass.

First Friday Holy Hour at 7pm, Sept. 6th

Our First Friday devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus takes place at St. Therese Worship Site with prayer of the Divine Chaplets and time for silent meditation and benediction. All are welcome.



Please pray for the following **Mercy Hospital Patients:**

Raquel, Yulinda, Rene, Irene, Israel, Stefani, Yuridia, Jackie, Sandra, McKinley, Sara, Debra, Kathryn,

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Tiesha, Alisa, Betty, Larry, Effie, Jerry, Cynthia, Arlene, Marv

St. Michael Schedule:

Sept. 1: 9am: Chris: 10:30am: Edy, Joey, Tony Sept. 8: 9am: Chris 10:30am: Angelo, Pat

MASS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019: St. Barbara Church:

Weekends:

Saturday: Anticipated Mass: 5:00PM Sunday: 6:00AM & 9:30AM

Weekdavs:

8:00AM Mass: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdavs

St. Therese Church:

Weekends:

Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM, and Mandarin Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month at 12:00PM

Cantonese Mass 粵語:

1st Sunday of each month at 10:30am 每月第一主日上午十時三十分

Indonesian Mass 印尼 語:

Mass from August 2019 – January 2020 at Divine Word Mission in Techny, IL

Mandarin Mass 國語:

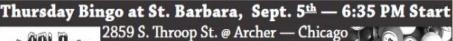
4th Sunday of each month at 12:00noon 每月第四 主日 中午十二時

Weekdays:

8:00AM Mass: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

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Feast of St. Mother Teresa

Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by **Bishop John Manz** followed by a reception in the gym

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弥撒后午餐招待 Thursday 9/5/19 at 10:00am 9月 5日上午 10 時 St. Barbara Church 聖芭芭拉教堂

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Respect Life Corner

Creep Starting to Gallop – 22 years ago, syndicated columnist Cal Thomas was already right about Abortion and PAS (Physician-assisted suicide). He wrote: "Once it is established that some lives are less valuable and less meaningful than other lives (as happened in *Roe*), the rest is merely who's next and how quickly we can move forward with the disposal process." He also wrote: "In the past, the assault has been directed at Jewish lives and at those whose skin pigmentation was darker than the majority's. Now the threat is directed toward the 'terminally ill'." Today, Roe v Wade's carnage continues apace. Some states have passed or considered legislation extending Roe's influence to permit infanticide of children born alive during a failed abortion. States like Illinois keep abortion statistics secret by exempting them from freedom of information laws. All the while, US births have dropped to their lowest rate on record, far below the replacement rate. As for PAS, it is now legal in 18 countries. In the US it's legal by law or court decision in nearly 20% of all states (California, Colorado, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington, New Jersey, Maine, Vermont. Montana and the District of Columbia). Two-thirds of these state laws have been enacted in the last three year. By any measure, that's a bolt to gallop. At the same time, there's serious concern that assured "safeguards" in the death laws aren't working and real victim numbers are being concealed from scrutiny (See, e.g. Assisted Suicide Laws in Oregon and Washington: What Safeguards? 4/2/2019). For human dignity's sake, Physicians should be helping the vulnerable instead of disposing of them: "A caring community devotes more attention, not less, to members facing the most vulnerable times in their lives. When people are tempted to see their own lives as diminished in value or meaning, they most need the love and assistance of others to assure them of their inherent worth. The healing art of medicine is an important part of this assistance ... Such care should combine medical skill with attention to the emotional as well as spiritual needs of those facing the end of life." (USCCB, To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide (June 11, 2011.) To quote Cal Thomas again: "If doctors are allowed to become killing agents at the end of life, as they are at the beginning of life, the next assault will come against the otherwise healthy elderly, the disabled and, depending on the spirit of the age, who knows who else." Should we care?

Our Prayer – For all fathers: May they be guided by the love of God the Father and teach their children to follow the Lord, who is life - *we pray to the Lord*...

Weekly Offering Collection for August 25, 2019							
Sunday Envelopes	\$1,306						
GiveCentral	197	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$13,108					
Sunday Loose	410	July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$17,600					
Total Collection	\$1,913						
Weekly Budget:	\$2,200	% of Budget Attained: 74%					
Please consider giving one hour of your weekly salary as your contribution. May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU! Collection at Mandarin Mass on 08/25/19: \$342							

Sun., Sep 15 10:30 AM (St. Therese)

Sat., Oct 12 5:00 PM (St. Barbara)

Sun., Nov 10 10:30 AM (St. Therese) Mass + Service (Church Maintenance) Freshen up the church by painting & various maintenance! Beginners welcome!

Mass + Youth Ministry Meeting Help mentor and lead the future Young Adults of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta!

Young Adult Mass + Refreshments For those looking for modern music and relevant homilies!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Sign up at the church entrance or at:

young.adult.ministry@sttheresechinatown.org | facebook.com/groups/StThereseYAM

Heavenly Reward—By Sr. Caritas

During the holiday season around Christmas there is many gift giving opportunities. We also give gifts at birthday times. Here people give gifts at Chinese New Year. Sometimes the gifts given are given to receive a gift in return. There is also sometimes comparison saying, "I gave a better gift than I received." The Gospel today speaks of being humble. It reminds us not to seek the first place of honor or another maybe more important than you and you will have to be embarrassed and give up your first place.

Some people seek to be with the rich and the famous, the powerful and those in positions of importance. Saint Mother Teresa was often with those people in her lifetime but it was not what she sought. St. Mother Teresa sought the poor and those who could not give her anything in return except gratitude. Saint Mother Teresa heard the call of Jesus, *"Rather when you have a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. Your reward will be great in heaven."* Give out of pure generosity.

Jesus calls us, as does the example of St. Mother Teresa, to serve and seek out the poor and those in need of our help. Being among the poor and helpless, and homeless is to be in the special presence of God. The poor cannot reward us but they have to depend on God not on themselves. If we are willing to be among the homeless and poor we will know God's presence in a special way. We will be evange-lized by them. They cannot give us gifts or a share of power, or honor but they can be the means by which God makes Himself known and experienced. Meet God among the poor. Come and see!



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Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, hospitalized, and homebound...

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